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COMMUNITY URGED TO GET BEHIND TAWD VALLEY MASTERPLAN

Report by **Henry James**

THE new chairman of community group, The Friends of the Tawd, Terry Lake, is calling on all Skelmersdale residents to get behind West Lancs Council's Tawd Valley Park Masterplan.

The group has been set up to encourage locals to get involved in the plan, which aims to make the park a haven for the people of the town and also the wider borough.

Tawd Valley Park, described as the 'green heart of Skelmersdale' is approximately 65 hectares.

Starting at the town centre the green open space runs alongside the River Tawd as it flows north to the River Douglas.

Terry Lake said: "As chair I want to lead and enthuse people to come forward to progress the masterplan.

"We currently have about 70 people involved with the Friends but we would really like more people to join us.

"We will be working alongside the borough council to bring their plans for the Tawd Valley to fruition and to that end have a number of discussions with council officers about the scheme.

"There are all sorts of activities which townspeople and visitors can use the Tawd for and one of the best is simply walking.

"The plan is to create an improved paths system which will open the park up to more people who might not previously have used it - such as mums with prams and people in wheelchairs.

The Tawd Valley - 'the green heart of Skelmersdale.'

"There are also plans for a dedicated cycle path from Whalleys to the town centre."

The Friends have recently secured funding of £518 from the Tawd Valley Lions, which they have used to create promotional material outlining their aims for the park and they have displays at both Skelmersdale Library and the Nye Bevan pool.

Mr Lake added that the Masterplan includes proposals to build a visitor centre on the fringes of the park and there is hope a classroom can be constructed, which could be used by local schools to do curriculum work there.

Other proposals in the plan include wetland habitat areas; improvements to the amphitheatre to create an informal event space; creation of a heritage trail; new picnic spaces close to the town centre; and access and improvement work to footpaths and landscapes.

Meanwhile The Friends of the Tawd have volunteer days on the first Saturday of each month to which anyone is welcome.

For more information about the group and how you can get involved, visit the website https://tawd.net/friends-of-the-tawd/ or email tawdvalleyfriends.soc.@gmail.com.

The paved woodland area at the Tawd.

Council defends woodland paving

WEST Lancs Council has defended the decision to pave woodland in an area of the Tawd near Dalton Park after a resident feared it would bring "disturbance to wildlife."

An angry resident contacted the Champion accusing the authority of 'sanitising' the area and claimed it would disturb the wildlife such as deer, owls and birds.

The resident also suggested the paving had been done to prepare for the estate being built on the field next to the wood.

However, a spokesman for the council responded: "The woodlands in Cobbs Clough are a plantation woodland managed for the benefit of wildlife and the public by the council.

"Resurfacing of the paths in Cobbs Clough is part of the Tawd Valley Park Project which aims to make this green oasis for Skelmersdale an even better place to visit.

"Existing footpaths through the plantation woodlands were muddy. Although this is acceptable to some people we have a duty to make our parks and open spaces as accessible as possible for as many people as possible. Upgrading paths across the park was the most called-for improvement by the public during a consultation on the project and we have had a lot of positive feedback about the works that are taking place at Cobbs Clough. This work will allow people to enjoy the site who previously might have struggled due to the conditions underfoot.

"Any disturbance to wildlife during the construction work is minimal. None of the species mentioned would be affected by the path once it is in place."

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Paramedics join teams at urgent care centres

PARAMEDICS are now on hand to provide additional support to patients visiting the urgent care centres in Skelmersdale and Ormskirk as part of a plan being delivered by Virgin Care in partnership with the local NHS.

Paramedic Paul with staff at West Lancashire Health Centre.

With a national shortage of nurses experienced in urgent and emergency care settings, as part of a service review Elaine Wilson, head of Urgent Care in West Lancashire for Virgin Care, came up with the plan to add additional skills to the centres.

She said: "Paramedics are a perfect fit for this kind of service, they have so many complementary skills. For patients, it means that they are able to receive great care delivered by an experienced and multi-disciplinary team. This will mean we're able to really focus on helping to reduce pressure on the local hospitals by supporting more people in our service."

The team of paramedics will work alongside GPs, nurses and healthcare assistants, and Elaine says that nurses working at the centre have "found the experience very positive."

Carmen Smith, clinical lead nurse for West Lancs Urgent Care Services, commented: "Paramedics are trained to think differently, more autonomously and are used to being on their own with emergencies. This allows them to consider a wider range of support they can provide to a patient to stop them from needing further treatment or being admitted to hospital later on."

And Dr John Caine, chair at NHS West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group added: "Our urgent care centres in Skelmersdale and Ormskirk are valued local services and the appointments of paramedics are a huge benefit. The new additions will further boost the capabilities within the hard-working team at both centres, ensuring patients are well looked after within appropriate time frames."

But officials have stressed that the walk-in centre is NOT an accident and emergency department and patients with life-threatening illness or injury should continue to visit A&E or call 999.

The urgent care services are open from 8am to 8pm seven days a week and can help with urgent and minor problems including sore throats, ear problems, coughs and colds, chest infections, urinary infections, skin rashes, skin infections, simple fractures and sprains, animal and insect bites, minor burns and minor cuts and wounds. The centres also offer an emergency contraception service.

The nursing team rotates across both centres ensuring a skill mix at each and meaning residents can visit the centre most convenient for them.

However, walk-in centres are unable to support routine GP requests, such as chronic disease management, diabetes and routine referrals to a consultant, and patients with these kinds of issues should continue to book an appointment with their GP.

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Co-operative Bank colleagues working on the garden.

Bank staff dig in to support community garden initiative

Report by **Henry James**

STAFF at the Co-operative Bank in Skelmersdale have been 'digging in' to support a local community initiative.

Colleagues at the bank's operation in Delf House, Southway, have been busy transforming the garden at the neighbouring Ecumenical Centre to enable it to be utilised to grow vegetables for the centre's Junk Food Cafe.

The cafe is run by volunteers who make meals every Thursday for the community on a 'pay-as-you-feel' basis.

Ten employees from the bank volunteered to help to mow the grass and clear the weeds from the raised beds and pathways at the centre's garden ready to plant the produce and some flowers.

Then 10 managers from the company's leadership team took over to continue with the gardening work to get it ready for use as soon as possible.

Staff at the Co-operative Bank are granted two 'volunteer days' a year to donate their time to help local communities.

Pledge

To date this year, employees at the bank have donated some 480 hours to local charities including The Dogs Trust in Knowsley; the Prince's Trust Enterprise challenge; and The Trussell Trust Food Bank based at the Ecumenical Centre.

And the bank has pledged to continue supporting the Trussell Trust on a weekly basis with two members of staff volunteering every Thursday for the rest of 2019.

The volunteers help with a variety of tasks including making food parcels, sorting donations, stock rotation, meeting people in need and giving out food parcels. And looking ahead they will also help with maintaining the garden area created.

Team leader Charlotte Eastwood, who was involved in the garden project, said: "The centre would love to use the outdoor area and it was amazing to have the opportunity to help them get the ball rolling with their garden transformation.

"When we arrived the garden was very overgrown but the team had a great day working together to cut it all back.

"Then I returned with the leadership team who had the chance to go and make a difference to our community showing the true Co-operative spirit!"

Primary pupils put on dazzling show for care home residents

TALENTED youngsters from a Skelmersdale school put on a dazzling display when they performed songs from the hit Hollywood musical drama *The Greatest Showman* for residents of a neighbouring care home.

Pupils from Delph Side Community Primary in Eskdale, Tanhouse put on their special performance for residents at the Aaron Crest home in nearby Tanhouse Road.

Their show included several of the movie's awarding-winning original songs, alongside signing and singing popular song, *You Raise Me Up*.

The children, all aged seven to 11 years, also gave solo performances and had residents and other visitors singing along and dancing.

Headteacher at Delph Side, Liz Ormerod, said: "I'm just so very proud of the students today. Words fail me as to how everyone was a part of the show they put on. There were so many happy people everywhere."

Alongside the special performance in the school hall, visitors were treated to cakes and a selection of drinks.

Delph Side Community Primary School pupils perform for an audience including residents from Aaron Crest Care Home

Home manager, Adrienne Ratcliffe, added: "When the children signed to the song *You Raise Me Up*, there wasn't a dry eye in the house.

"Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon of singing and even dancing with the students, the staff and the school governors.

"One of our residents, Judith Cookson, didn't really want to go at first was a little nervous but, once the singing started, she was up on her feet dancing and singing with the students and the staff.

"A massive thank-you goes to the school and pupils for putting on such an amazing afternoon."

Lord Prescott gives 'inspirational' talk at Ambassadors' breakfast event

THE Skelmersdale Ambassadors hosted a high-profile breakfast event at West Lancashire College where Lord John Prescott was special guest speaker.

Lord Prescott gave an "inspirational" address, speaking highly of the town and its potential.

Many of the points the former Deputy Prime Minister talked about were relevant to what's happening in Skelmersdale and it was reported that his passion and vision for the town clearly shone through.

He stressed the importance of business collaboration, low-carbon economy, connectivity, skills and the community to the success and growth to Skelmersdale's future.

Lord Prescott said: "Business can be the force for making change, I wish Skelmersdale well. It is a beautiful place."

And he concluded his presentation by saying he was leaving Skelmersdale as an 'Adopted Ambassador'.

Mark Whitworth, chief executive of Peel Ports and chair of the Skelmersdale Place Board, told the Ambassadors: "I am delighted that Lord Prescott attended our event. John is tireless in his determination to see northern towns like Skelmersdale reach their potential and through his vast experience and knowledge he provided the audience with an interesting insight as to how this could be realised.

"As chair of the Skelmersdale Place Board I am fully committed to ensuring that those who invest in becoming an Ambassador will see a return on their investment and I am committed to ensuring that as Ambassadors we come together with one message, one voice to collectively make a difference."

Lord John Prescott addressing the Skelmersdale Ambassadors.

Speaking after the business breakfast, West Lancs Council leader and cabinet member for economic regeneration, Councillor Ian Moran, said: "It was a pleasure to have Lord John Prescott visit Skelmersdale and to hear how positive he was about the town. I am sure the local businesses and everyone who attended will have been inspired by the important messages he gave at the event."

The Skelmersdale Ambassadors network brings together businesses who have an interest or investment in the local area and are advocates in promoting Skelmersdale as a great place for business, as well as contributing to improving the local economy.

For information on how to join the Ambassadors visit: www.letstalk-skelmersdale.com/ambassadors/.

Council use court action to remove travellers from Up Holland playing fields

WEST Lancs Council were forced to take court action to remove travellers from the Garnett Lees Playing fields, Up Holland.

Residents had complained to the Champion about the travellers who they claimed had begun to dig a ditch around the site perimeter.

A spokesman for the borough council responded: "The land at Garnett Lees Playing fields, Up Holland, is council-owned land and the council considers it unsuitable for occupation.

"The council began taking court action to move the travellers off the playing fields as soon as officers became aware they were there.

"As a result of the court action the travellers have left the site.

"The council has undertaken works to the site to prevent unauthorised access being gained in the future."

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Family farm opens its gates to public as part of national promotion

TAYLOR'S Farm and Shop in Hall Lane, Lathom will once again be giving members of the public a chance to learn more about farming as part of a national event organised by Linking Environment And Farming (LEAF) which aims to promote more sustainable food and farming.

Members of the Webster farming 'dynasty' (from left) Andrew, Joe, Roger and Bernie.

LEAF Open Farm Sunday, running from 10am to 4pm on June 9, is now in its 14th year and involves hundreds of farms opening to the public so they can get closer to farming and see for themselves where their food comes from, how it is produced and learn more about farming.

This is the third year that Taylor's, a beef and cereal farm which has been run by four generations of the Webster family, will be taking part in the event. Last year it had 1,700 visitors..

Mrs Bernie Webster, who manages the retail side of the business, said: "Come and join us for Open Farm Sunday and learn more about how the bread and cereal you enjoy for breakfast every morning is grown, learn why worms are so important for the soil on our farm and why we need bees and other pollinators to help us grow our crops.

"You can also find out how we look after and care for our cows, as well as the wonderful wildlife that lives on Taylor's farm too; and get up close to the machinery we use every day and see how we employ the latest technology - such as GPS systems - to farm sustainably.

"And there's also an opportunity to speak with the family, team and colleagues throughout the day to learn all about the world of farming."

Mrs Webster added that as a former nursery nurse she knows how children benefit from an outdoor learning experience and how it can reinforce the school's curriculum across many subjects.

"We will have vets, nutritionists and agronomists here to answer questions that the children or parents may have. We will also be having a petting zoo, bees to observe, sheep shearing, sheep dog handling, and a BBQ, ice cream stand, teas, coffees and soft drinks available."

Annabel Shackleton, LEAF Open Farm Sunday manager added: "LEAF Open Farm Sunday is a wonderful opportunity for visitors - young and old - to get closer to farming and the people that make it happen. Each event is unique, each farm is different and every farmer too, but what they all share is a passion for farming, amazing expertise and a commitment to caring for the countryside."

Access to the day is free and all proceeds from food and drink sales are being donated to Alder Hey Children's Hospital.

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Residents' concerns over plans to build homes at former playing fields site

Fears voiced about lack of privacy and possible noise and pollution

Report by **Henry James**

RESIDENTS have voiced concerns over plans submitted to West Lancs Council to build 60 two-storey homes at the former Barnes Road playing fields in Skelmersdale.

The proposed development would also provide provision for land to be used as allotments, a Scouts hut and associated car parking and would entail the demolition of the existing community building.

The homes would be a mixture of two, three and four-bedroomed properties with 20% of the units deemed to be affordable.

A planning statement for the application claims the site will provide "a high-quality residential development" and "provision of a community building and allotments and the associated benefits to the local community."

Opposition

It goes on to add that the proposals will "provide an important contribution to the council's affordable housing provision over the coming years" along with "support for existing businesses and suppliers in the area during construction, contributing to the local economy,"

However, the proposals have met with opposition from neighbours including Steven Hilton who has written to the council stating: "This development is right at the back of my house. Once this project is complete it will affect the open space and the privacy we currently enjoy, the main reason I bought the property in the first place.

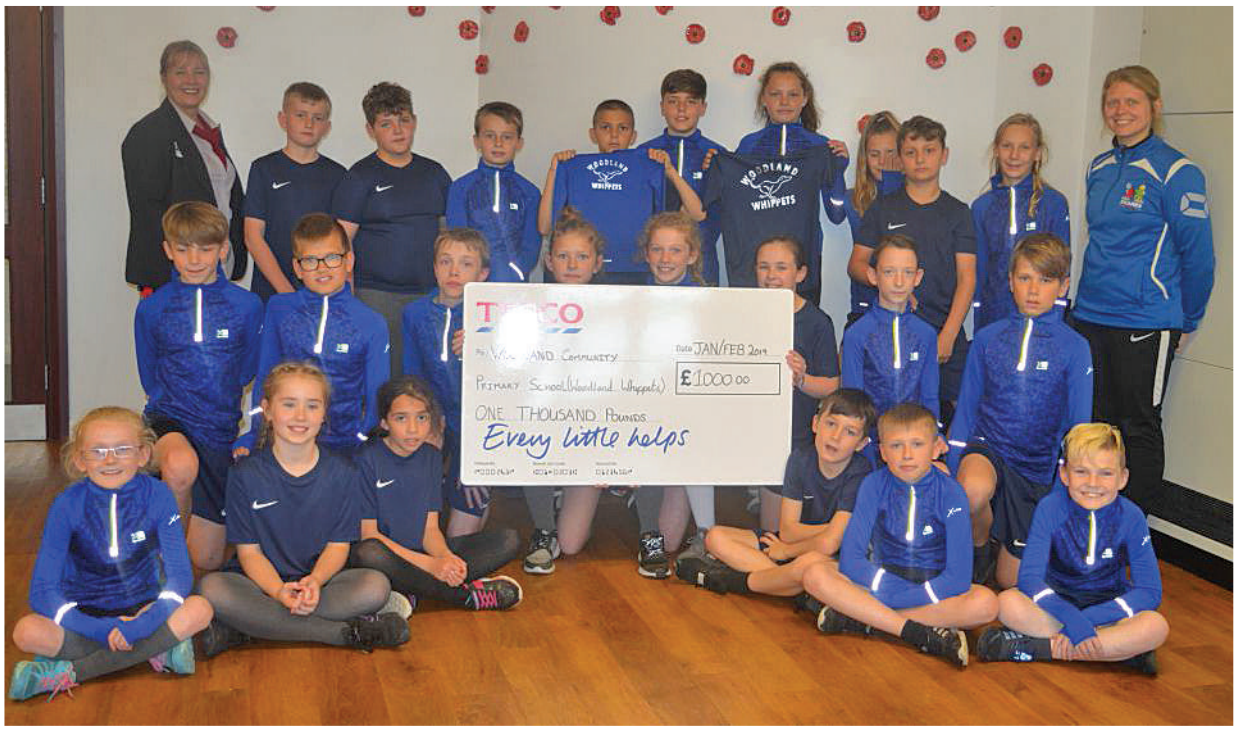
An aerial image of the proposed layout (not to scale).

"I'm deeply concerned the affect this will have on privacy

"Secondly, the noise, mess and pollution caused by all plant machinery in and out of this site all day, the mess that will have on my garden which I will bill the local authorities to clean up and put it right.

"It will also have a negative effect on property values.

"Additionally, where is the extra support with local infrastructure to accommodate an additional 60 families, not to mention the thousands of houses already being built in Skelmersdale without a single thought concerning the town's infrastructure?"



Members of the Woodlands Whippets with their donation

Life's just 'grand' for sporty youngsters after bagging four-figure donation

SPORTY pupils at a Skelmersdale primary school are feeling 'grand' after bagging a four-figure boost.

Each time a customer shops at the supermarket they are offered a blue token at the checkout which they can then use to vote for a community project through the Tesco Bags of Help scheme.

Every two months Tesco awards grants of £4,000, £2,000 and £1,000 respectively in each of its 565 regions.

And members of Woodland Primary School's running group, the Woodland Whippets were the lucky winners of £1,000 in a recent draw.

The money has enabled them to buy a running kit and appropriate footwear and will also go towards race entries for future events.

A spokesperson for the group at the school in Heathgate, Birch Green, said: "We would like to say a massive thank-you to Emma from SHARES who assisted the Woodland Whippets in the application and also Tesco Bags of Help for their generous donation of £1,000."

The E Rooms in Westgate.

Public and community groups invited to E Rooms open evening

THE E Rooms, the non-profit social enterprise in Westgate, Skelmersdale is holding an open day/evening on Friday, June 7.

Serving the community of West Lancashire as a whole the facility offers a range of activities and entertainment, including music tuition and live music.

The open day will run from 4 to 9pm and Steve Horrocks from the E Rooms said: "This will not only give people a chance to see the wide range of services E Rooms has to offer, but we've invited all of the local community groups to take part in the event showcasing and raising awareness of all of the community services available in the area.

"There will be refreshments available throughout and entertainment on the night from Dreammakers Drama Society and live music from our young guns bands.

"At the open evening, people will be given guided tours of all of our tuition/rehearsal rooms and will be able to see electronic production classes in our studio alongside live performances by our students and community groups.

"We are encouraging more people to get involved in the E Rooms. We are right at the centre of the Skelmersdale community, not only providing music tuition, rehearsal space, live events and community function rooms.

"We also provide custom-built space for many of the region's community groups, including education and weekly social events for adults with additional needs, tuition for looked-after young people and a safe cafe/bar for the whole community to meet and express themselves."

The E Rooms is open six days a week from 9.30am until 11pm.

Firefighters called to caravan blaze

TWO fire engines from Skelmersdale attended a caravan fire at an address in Flimby in the town at 2.34am on Wednesday, May 29. Firefighters equipped with breathing apparatus used two hose reels and a ventilation unit to extinguish the fire.

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Banks Leisure Centre which is set to be run by North Meols Parish Council.

Plan agreed for parish council to take over village leisure centre

WEST Lancs Council has approved a strategy to transfer responsibility for Banks Leisure Centre to North Meols Parish Council.

The centre, in Greaves Hall Avenue, is currently operated on behalf of the borough council by West Lancashire Community Leisure Trust with Serco as operator.

Under the new strategy the council, WLCLT and Serco will work with the parish council to develop a robust business plan to enable them to take over running the facility from April next year.

The decision follows months of 'positive' discussions between the parties and other local partners and it's believed the parish council will aim to develop a strong community-centred ethos to the centre alongside the existing sports elements to allow for the development of alternative programmes.

Councillor Yvonne Gagen, West Lancs Council's portfolio holder for leisure, said: "Banks Leisure Centre is a valuable community asset for the residents of West Lancashire's Northern Parishes. The council strongly believes North Meols Parish Council would be an appropriate operator for the facility as it understands the existing usage along with opportunities for future development. The development of this strategy will allow the building to be utilised to deliver specific programmes to meet the needs of the local community."

Chairman of North Meols Parish Council, Bill Abam, added: "We are very excited about the possibility of taking over the responsibility for running Banks Leisure Centre. We have a vision for the centre to be at the very heart of our community, led by local people for local people, and we hope residents will get involved and support us."

The parish council will hold a public meeting at St Stephen's Institute and Club, Hoole Lane, on Tuesday, June 18 between 7 and 9pm to inform the community about plans for the facility.

There will also be opportunities at the meeting to hear about the various ways in which local residents can become involved as volunteers. These range from chances to obtain work experience working in the building through to the recruitment of people with legal, financial, business and bid-writing experience who would be willing to sit on the centre's management group.

The parish council will also be consulting with the local community to identify activities that they would like to develop. More details on the consultation will be announced soon by the parish council.

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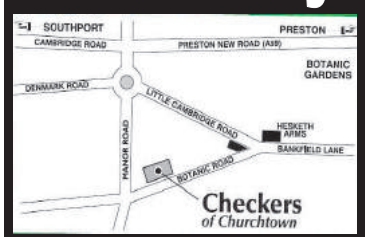

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Work on industrial units is nearing completion

Council hopeful that Gorsey Place development will attract business and create new jobs

WORK is almost complete on new and refurbished industrial units at Gorsey Place, East Gillibrands which West Lancs Council hope will boost the local economy and help to create and safeguard 35 jobs.

The council has been working with building contractors Krol Corlett to design and construct one new industrial unit and refurbish and upgrade three adjoining units.

A business has already moved into one of the units, and two more are now ready for new tenants. The final unit will be available to rent later in the summer.

The project has cost £900,000 and each unit will provide 4,500 sq. ft. of high-quality accommodation. They are suitable for a wide range of uses from manufacturing to storage and distribution.

This development follows on from the council's successful development of 11 new units at neighbouring Greenwood Business Centre in 2016 which has proved highly popular with local and national businesses.

Above: The exterior of one of the industrial units at Gorsey Place and (below) the interior.

Improved

Council leader and cabinet member for economic regeneration, Councillor Ian Moran, said: "A key priority for the council is to be ambitious for the local economy. I am really pleased the council has been able to create these new units which will provide new and improved working environments for businesses and create jobs in the local area."

Director of Krol Corlett, Simon Krol, added: "We have enjoyed working with the council on this project to deliver great new premises that will help boost the local economy and help safeguard and deliver jobs."

For more information on the units at Gorsey Place and other council-owned business property visit www.westlancs.gov.uk/property; or you can call Sam Williams on 01695 712626 or email sam.williams@westlancs.gov.uk.

Have your say about council in Citizens Survey

WEST Lancashire residents with something to say about the borough council and the services it provides, are being invited to respond to the authority's 2019 Citizens Survey.

The survey covers a number of important themes, including community safety and satisfaction levels with council services, as well as asking residents for their feedback on what it's like to live in West Lancashire.

A number of residents have been sent a letter inviting them to take part in the survey and give their opinions, so they can help influence decisions that will be taken by the council.

However, everyone living in West Lancashire can take part, even if they have not received a letter inviting them to do so, by completing the survey online.

Residents have until Monday, July 8 to give their opinions. To complete the survey online visit www.westlancs.gov.uk/cssurvey.

Care home staff sign up to Dementia Friends programme

PICTURED proudly displaying their certificates are seven members of staff from the Birch Green care home who successfully completed a Dementia Friends session.

The home in Ivydale now has more than 50 staff designated as Dementia Friends.

Some of the youngsters by the River Thames during their London trip.

Primary pupils get 'clued up' on politics

YOUNGSTERS at a local primary school have been getting clued up on politics - both locally and nationally.

Year 6 children from St Thomas the Martyr CE Primary in Up Holland enjoyed a trip to London where they visited both Houses of Parliament and met up with the Lords spokesperson for education, Lord Storey.

After a tour, they sat in both houses and watched some lively debates.

Meanwhile, nearer to home the new Mayor of West Lancashire, Councillor Gaynar Owen was welcomed by all the children for a special assembly.

Cllr. Owen was also 'grilled' by the School Council who were invited to her chamber for a tour behind the scenes.

Headteacher, Mr Roscoe, said: "I am very proud of the mature attitude displayed by our Year 6 children as they soaked up the atmosphere in the Houses of Parliament.

"They now have a better understanding of the political process."

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Metro mayors call for Northern Rail to be stripped of franchise

Regional politicians cite "consistent failure to provide an acceptable service" but company says it is "working hard to improve performance and reliability"

Report by **Tom Martin**

TWO senior regional politicians are calling for Northern Rail, which operates services on the West Lancashire Line, to be stripped of its franchise and taken over by the Government.

Metro Mayor of Liverpool, Steve Rotherham joined forces with his Manchester counterpart Andy Burnham to release a damning statement in which they criticised the rail provider and its "consistent failures."

Last May Northern Rail was disrupted by a chaotic rail timetable shake-up which affected millions of train commuters.

The operator, whose network covers cities including Liverpool, Manchester, Leeds, Newcastle and Sheffield, is part of European transport group Arriva, which in turn is owned by Germany's state-owned Deutsche Bahn.

Both mayors are now asking Chris Grayling's Department for Transport to take action and implement an 'Operator of Last Resort' and bring in a new board and team of directors to run the company as soon as possible.

Mr Rotheram said: "Given Northern's consistent failure to provide an acceptable service we believe it is now time for Chris Grayling to terminate their franchise and move to that operator of last resort, as soon as possible."

In recent years, Northern Rail has overseen an increase in cancelled services and less carriages on trains, while being embroiled in an ongoing industrial dispute with the RMT which has resulted in 46 days of strike action.

Northern provides services on the West Lancashire Line.

Mick Cash, general secretary of the RMT union, welcomed the mayors' statement, adding: "There should now be a swift transition of the Northern routes into a public sector operation."

Northern managing director David Brown said: "We agree the North deserves the best possible rail service and are working hard to improve the performance and reliability for customers.

"Since last year, we have made a large number of improvements for our customers - including better punctuality, investment in new and refurbished trains, over 2,000 new services and hundreds more people employed to help customers.

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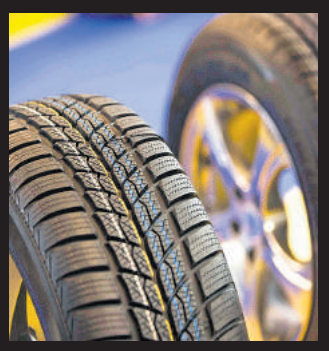

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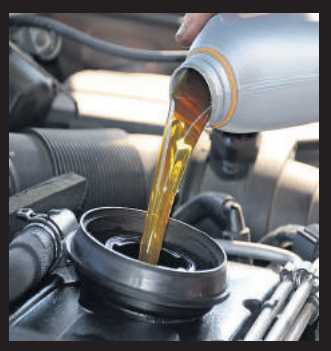

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Royal date for local community champions

Report by **Henry James**

● Above: Partying at the Palace... Maureen Fazal, Paula Gamester, Mark Ashton and Caroline Ashton pictured in the grounds of Buckingham Palace during the Royal Garden Party.

MARK Ashton, local social-entrepreneur and company director of the Artz Centre, was invited to take high tea at Buckingham Palace with the Queen..

He received the invitation in recognition of his 15-year commitment to delivering high-quality creative provision in his home town of Skelmersdale.

Each year there are just three Royal Garden Parties which are seen as a traditional way of recognising and rewarding outstanding contributions to public service.

Guests include a broad range of people, from all walks of life across the UK who are adjudged to have made a positive impact in their community.

On receiving the invitation to the Royal Garden Party, Mark commented: "It's certainly not every day you receive an invitation to high tea at Buckingham Palace through the letter box, and I am deeply humbled to have been invited."

Over the past 15 years, Mark has worked tirelessly to empower his community creatively by aiming to regularly engage local people, of all ages, in positive arts-focused projects that aim to inspire "greater levels of resilience, confidence and community-wide aspiration."

Since opening the Artz Centre in 2014, he has also played a role in the wider creative networking in the town, helping to collaborate the centre's work with a number of fellow third-sector services including the Lancashire Young People and Children's Services, Young Add Action, West Lancashire CCG, the Well North and Well Skelmersdale initiatives, Lancashire Safety Partnership, the Birchwood Centre and the Sewing Rooms.

The big day was also blessed with good weather and Mark commented: "What an incredible experience and one that I feel so very privileged to have been invited to. Her Majesty the Queen, the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge were all in attendance and as a creative-minded individual, I loved the immaculate attention to detail throughout all elements of the garden party.

"This, combined with the glorious weather, made for a truly memorable day, that I will cherish for a long time to come."

MAUREEN Fazal and Paula Gamester from The Sewing Rooms in Gladden Place, Skelmersdale were also among guests at the Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace on May 21.

Describing the day as "such a memorable occasion and one we will never ever forget" the pair were delighted to be presented to Prince Edward's wife, the Duchess of Wessex who asked them all about the Sewing Rooms and the work they undertake.

The Royals were out in force: HM The Queen; Prince William; the Duchess of Cambridge; Prince Edward; and the Duchess of Wessex.

During the day they also met with the Archbishop of Westminster, Cardinal Vincent Nichols.

Born in Crosby, Archbishop Nichols had previously spent time visiting Skelmersdale when Paula and Maureen were both involved in the Tomorrow's People To-day project, at Railway Road in the town.

Maureen and Paula said: "All in all it was a wonderful occasion and one that will last in our memories for years to come."

General manager of Springhill's Birch Green Care Home, Vicky Sudworth (centre left) and colleagues celebrate the award.

Platinum award for Skem care home operators

THE operators of a Skelmersdale care home have been awarded the prestigious Platinum award from Investors in People - the highest accolade that can be achieved through the scheme and held by just two per cent of all organisations assessed.

Assessors highlighted the 'high performing' Springhill Care Group, operators of Birch Green Care Home, for how it has further strengthened its organisation since it was awarded a gold standard three years ago.

The Investors in People report read: "Evidence was presented of significant development in its approach to innovation and continuous improvement. The working environment developed as a result of the effective leadership approach has been fundamental to the creating of a high-performance organisational culture.

"Both managers and staff across all three nursing and care homes within Springhill Care Group described how they experience very effective leadership through a very inclusive and collaborative leadership style.

"People described how everything they do and the way they do things is driven by the company values. This starts with values-based recruitment."

Donna Briggs, managing director of Springhill Care Group, said: "This is great news for all staff because they help to make us the organisation we are. I'd like to thank our staff team for creating the culture of excellence we have which ultimately ensures that the quality of care for our residents is second-to-none."

Chris Jones, director of operations at IIP, added: "Platinum is our highest award and recognises high performance achieved through integrated people practices. Springhill Care Group first achieved Investors in People in 1995 and since then we have seen the group go from strength to strength."

As part of the IIP online assessment process, the care group exceeded both the IIP average and care sector benchmarks with an organisational benchmark score of 799 out of 900 where care sector average is 765 and overall IIP average is 724.

Skemfest raises £800 for charities

ORGANISERS have hailed this year's Skemfest Music and Fun Festival another success after raising £800 for two worthy causes.

The event was held over the recent Bank Holiday weekend (May 25 and 26) at The Buffs Community Club in Ormskirk Road, Skelmersdale.

Proceeds from the day will be donated to Quarry Bank Community Gardens, who do charitable work for the community, including the NHS and mental health organisations; and to Cancer Research.

One of the organisers of the event, Aaron Martin, said: "Well, people what can we say? Skemfest was amazing again. I want to say a big thank-you to everyone who came along and joined in the fun.

"I also want to say thanks to all the talented performers who kept us entertained all weekend - you were fabulous. And to David Martin who put in much hard work and Allan Brophy who sorted the whole line-up.

"Finally, thanks to all the bar staff and everyone involved in the Buffs for making yet another year of Skemfest a success.

Residents enjoying the music at this year's Skemfest.

Next year's Skemfest will be held on Saturday and Sunday, May 23 and 24.

Nicola strikes gold on reading trail

SEVEN-year-old Nicola Wallace is the latest local book lover to show her reading skills by successfully completing the Lancashire Reading Trail Challenge at Skelmersdale Library.

Nicola was presented with a book of her choice and a gold certificate by staff at the library in Southway after she completed the challenge to read 50 books.

The Lancashire Reading Trail is a county-wide scheme that encourages children up to the age of 12 to read more. For further details about the reading trail and how to get involved, go to www.lancashire.gov.uk or pop in to your local library..

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Dalton Gardens open day returns

THE Dalton Gardens open day is set to return on Sunday, June 9 after a four-year break.

The popular event has not been held since 2015 when Tim Barton, the late vicar of St Michael and All Angels, Dalton Parish Church, retired.

This year's open day will run from 12.30 to 6.30pm when visitors can visit the gardens in their own time and in any order they prefer. Entry is by programme (sold locally in advance for £5 per person) children under school leaving age go free.

Advance programmes are available at: Do It Yourself Centre, Parbold Village; Newburgh Post Office, Course Lane; Radiant Living, 14 Station Roadd, Parbold; Prince William, Beacon Lane, Dalton; Premier Shop, Ashurst Centre, Skelmersdale; Pangea Sculptures, 164 County Road, Ormskirk; Arnold Phillips, 1 High Street, Standish, Wigan; Arnold Phillips, The Old Telephone Exchange, 297 The Green, Eccleston; and The Old Post House, 5 The Common, Parbold.

Programmes can also be bought on the day at the gate of the first garden visited at a cost of £6 per person.

During the afternoon, there will also be a hog roast, while tea, coffee and cakes, jams, plants and Pangea sculptures will be on sale.

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Appeal for information after fatal road accident

POLICE are appealing for information after a man died in a collision in Scarisbrick on Wednesday, May 29.

Officers from Lancashire Police were called at 9.50pm to reports of a one-vehicle accident on Southport Road, between New Hall Drive and Snape Green.

The incident involved a Volvo V70 which left the road and collided with a wall and a tree before coming to a rest in the garden of a residential property.

The rear seat passenger, a 44-year-old man from Sefton, was pronounced dead at the scene.

The front seat passenger, a 43-year-old man from Sefton, received fractures to his ribs and sternum.

The 26 year old driver from Southport received spinal and rib fractures.

Both injured men remain in hospital where their conditions are described as serious.

The road was closed for around six hours to facilitate collision investigation work.

Sergeant Lee Harris of Lancashire's Road Policing Unit, said: "A man has died and our thoughts are very much with his family and friends at this incredibly difficult time. They are being supported by specially trained officers.

"We're working to establish the circumstances of the collision and would ask that anyone who saw the vehicle described in the moments leading up to the collision, or the incident itself, speaks to us as soon as possible."

Anyone with information is asked to call 101 and quote log number 1482 of May 29.

Police are appealing for witnesses following the crash on Southport Road.

Village set to celebrate Treat Day tradition dating back to 1877!

VILLAGERS will celebrate a 142-year-old tradition on Saturday, June 8 at the Bickerstaffe Treat Day.

The annual event, which first took place in 1877, will run from 1.45 to 4pm starting with a morris dancing procession from Bickerstaffe CE Primary School in Hall Lane to Holy Trinity Church, Church Road and then on to the parish field.

Among the attractions planned are maypole dancing along with various races for children of all ages.

Refreshments will be on sale and Silcocks funfair will also be in attendance.

Skelmersdale Prize Brass band will accompany the procession and will also play a short concert during the afternoon, while children's entertainer Mr Stix will be performing between 3 and 4pm.

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Young gymnasts set to take on the world!

...with more than a little help from their friends

TWO talented young gymnasts from West Lancashire will be jetting off to the USA at the end of this month to put their skills to the test in a major international event - thanks to more than a little help from their friends.

Nine-year-olds Lyla Smith, from Skelmersdale and Isla Sharrock, from Rufford, who are both members of the Dazzlers Gymnastics Club, will be heading to Nashville for the Independent Association of Independent Gymnastics Clubs (IAIGC) World Championships.

Five other members of the club, which meets at Our Lady Queen of Peace high school, Skelmersdale and Burscough Sports Centre, also qualified for the championships but are unable to attend due to the cost.

Funding for Lyla and Isla to compete has been raised in part thanks to sponsored efforts by fellow members, including at local supermarkets and a sponsored swim by teammate Grace Tyman.

Lyla and Isla obtained the qualifying score in two North West competitions and by competing in a required event in Milton Keynes in April.

Head coach, Shelly Murphy who runs the club, said the girls were up against gymnasts from the UK, Germany and USA at Milton Keynes but both gave great performances which landed them on the podium.

This is the second time members of the club have taken part in the IAIGC championships, Last year six girls went to the finals in Florida.

Shelly said: "We took part in our first IAIGC competition last year, taking six gymnasts to Florida and they did an amazing job. This year seven members qualified but due to costs only two could commit to the trip.

"We are very grateful to members of the public and all the members of Dazzlers for their support in raising money. We have held various fundraising events, including at Tesco in Burscough and Asda in Skelmersdale. And one of our members, nine-year-old Grace Tyman did a sponsored swim, completing 56 lengths in an hour at Nye Bevan pool in Skelmersdale.

Isla and Lyla on the podium with their medals at Milton Keynes.

"Grace didn't attend any of the qualifying competitions so wasn't eligible this year but it was selfless of her to help her fellow members in the way she has. I'm extremely proud of her and also her sister Ella who got in the pool halfway through to encourage her. Both girls are a credit to the club.

"We had an amazing experience last year, coming home with four gold, two silver and four bronze medals and had 10 top-10 world places. I'm sure Isla and Lyla will do us equally proud this year too."

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Animal charity's fundraising Feather Fest

THERE will be a chance to get up close to birds of prey this weekend at a fundraising event in aid of a Woodlands Animal Sanctuary.

The sanctuary in Sandy Lane, Holmeswood is holding a 'Feather Fest' family fun day on Sunday, June 9 from 11 to 3pm.

As a self-funded registered charity Woodlands have to raise every penny themselves through one-off donations, events or sponsorship.

This year instead of the usual large Family Fun Day on the first weekend of September it has been decided to hold three themed events instead, startying with the 'Feather Fest'.

Entry for the event costs £3 for adults and £1.50 for children and alongside the sanctuary's 'resident birds' visitors will also be able to meet and greet a range of birds of prey provided by Corio Raptor Care and Rehabilitation based near Lancaster.

There will also be a dog show, judged by one of the vets from Rufford Veterinary Group, and the chance to meet all the animals in Woodlands' care.

This includes cats that are available for re-homing. And although none will be released for re-homing during the open day, interested parties will be able to register an interest in a cat.

There will also be fun activities for children, a variety of stalls and food on sale.

Students aiming to be 'practically perfect' for latest production!

STUDENTS at West Lancashire College will be aiming to be 'practically perfect in every way' when they stage a version of much-loved musical *Mary Poppins* to coincide with their annual Creative Arts exhibition and an Open Evening (4.30 to 7.30pm) at the Skelmersdale campus on Thursday, June 13.

This year's exhibition will open at 5pm and admission is free.

Then at 7pm visitors are invited to make their way to the college's Hope Theatre to see a performance of Mary Poppins Jr, performed by their award-winning Performing Arts department.

Course leader, Gary Owens, said: "We are immensely proud of the creative talents of our students and know that this will be a fantastic night for us all.

"Our students work hard all year and this is a great opportunity to come along and see what they are capable of. We know that both shows will be supercalifragilisitic . . .well let's just say they'll be amazing!"

Tickets for Mary Poppins Jr, priced £5, can be purchased online at www.seaty.co.uk/poppins, from the college reception or on the door on the evening, subject to availability.

For anyone wishing to visit the Creative Arts exhibition but unable to attend on June 13, it is also open free to the public from 10am to 4pm on weekdays from Friday, June 14 to Tuesday, June 18.

Mary Poppins Jr will also be performed on Wednesday, June 12, Friday, June 14 and Saturday, June 15 at 7pm, with a matinee performance at 3pm on Saturday, June 15.

Performing Arts students at West Lancashire College who are staging Mary Poppins Jr at the college's Hope Theatre.

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MP backs call for automatic compensation for train delays and cancellations

Report by **Henry James**

ROSIE Cooper is backing a call by the Consumers' Association magazine Which? for rail passengers to receive fully automatic compensation for delays and cancellations.

It follows the revelation that almost four million hours were 'lost' as a result of significantly delayed train journeys in 2018.

The West Lancs MP is supporting the magazine's demand that the Government's rail review ensures that simpler and easier compensation processes are introduced across the network as soon as possible.

Rosie Cooper: "My constituents are fed up with the unreliable service."

She believes that after a record year for disruption sent trust in the rail industry to new lows, the case for making compensation automatic has never been clearer. Currently passengers claim for only a third (34%) of journeys where money is owed for delays and cancellations.

Which?'s findings came as the rail industry rolled out its latest summer timetable aimed at introducing 1,000 extra services per week across the country - 12 months on from last year's disastrous timetable chaos resulting in disruption for the personal and professional lives of thousands of passengers.

Ms Cooper said: "My West Lancashire constituents are rightly fed up with the unreliable service that they have received over the past year on the railways.

"Unprecedented levels of delays and cancellations have left them struggling to get to work, school or home on time. That's why I'm backing *Which?*'s calls to introduce automatic compensation across the network.

"I have been deluged with reports from residents about poor service, no service and no refunds for much of 2018.

'Urgent action needed'

"The Williams Review is a chance to overhaul the complex compensation system for passengers so that when things do go wrong, at least they get the money they are owed."

The staggering level of delays - 3,928,560 hours in total - relates to 8.1 million passenger journeys and meant around 80 trains per day were significantly delayed.

And a "lamentable" year for delays was matched by the results for cancellations, which averaged 660 per day (241,934 in total) in 2018 - also the highest number since comparable records began in 2011.

The MP believes that the "damning" findings demonstrate why, if the rail system is to start working for passengers, urgent action is needed to improve punctuality, reliability and compensation when things go wrong.

Neena Bhati, head of campaigns at *Which?*, added: "Passengers have faced a torrid time on the trains since the beginning of last year where the rail industry has fundamentally failed on punctuality and reliability. People then face a messy and complex compensation system which puts them off claiming when things go wrong.

"A vital way the Government's rail review and industry can start to restore faith is by introducing automatic compensation for delays and cancellations so that passengers don't have to fight to get the money they are owed."

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What has my age or sex got to do with street cleaning and having my bins collected on the right day?

THE other day I received the West Lancashire 2019 Citizens Survey.

The survey covers community safety, satisfaction with council services, bin collections and street cleaning.

I was happy to tell the council about street cleaning as Springfield Road, where I live, and St Michael Road are so overgrown with gutter weeds, overgrown pathways and overgrown hedgerows it's impossible to walk on the pathways.

However, towards the end of the Citizens Survey it asks for my age, sexual orientation, if I'm gay, straight or transgender. Is this relevant?

Why does the council want to know what sexual orientation I am when all I need is for my area to have clean and weed-free gutters and clear pathways to walk on instead of in the road?

I want my bins collected on the right day, regardless of what sex I am!

Everyone needs to feel safe in their area, whatever age!

It's a shame as I really had need to tell the West Lancashire Council that I am 'unsatisfied' with their council services.

David Palin, Aughton.

Council deserves praise for defying 'mindless' play equipment vandals

AT the risk of sounding like an old curmudgeon, I would like to express my utter contempt for the mindless idiots who recently destroyed play equipment on Skem's Stanley Coronation Park - matched only by my admiration and respect for WLBC's defiance of them.

For those who don't know, I'm referring to the huge rope swing (rattle snake as I call it!) which was recently set alight.

By replacing it without question and so swiftly, and no doubt at great cost, the council have ensured many more people's enjoyment of it.

Indeed, on the day of its completion a friend and I proceeded to jump on and ride it sky-high (under cover of darkness - we are in our 40s and should know better!) causing us to cackle maniacally to the point where we were sure we would be locked up!

I have since seen many children, lone adults and even dogs enjoying its pleasures. So, once again, well done WLBC.

Steven Etherington, Skelmersdale.

I was impressed by hospital care - and on a Bank Holiday too!

ON May 25th I developed problems with my sight and thought that a Bank Holiday was not a good time for this to happen.

I went to my optician and was swiftly referred to Southport Hospital with a torn retina diagnosed.

Once there, I very promptly received laser treatment.

I have been so impressed by the care I received, thank-you to all involved.

And thank-you to our CCG who are working so hard to improve services despite inadequate funding and acute staff shortages!

J. Myers, Ormskirk.

PICTURE of the week

THIS photo, described as 'an argument on the water between a swan and goose (only one winner!)' was taken at the Mere Sands nature reserve between Holmeswood and Rufford and submitted by Mick Hanratty from Aughton.

If you would like to submit a photo to be considered for our Picture of the Week slot, you can simply email it to editorial@champnews.com.

And please remember to include your name, the area you live in and brief caption details to go with the photo.

Here's wishing Jim's Tina a speedy recovery

TO Jim Sharpe (re: One Man and his Dog) just wanted to send best wishes for a speedy recovery for Tina.

Dog lovers everywhere will know how you feel and understand the anxiety it brings when your friend and companion is poorly.

Please keep us posted on her progress.

Lavinia Bennett, Burscough.

Our volunteers are the cat's whiskers!

THIS Volunteers Week (1-7 June), I want to thank volunteers who give so much of their time, skill and dedication for the benefit of cats in our care.

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Without them, we would not have been able to help re-home or reunite 44,000 cats and neuter around 143,000. Nor would we have delivered 1,693 education talks to 52,343 people. They are vital to every aspect of everything we achieve.

We would love to hear from cat lovers who would like to help cats locally. They can visit our website at www.cats.org.uk/get-involved/volunteering to find out more.

Julie Meredith,
Head of Volunteering,
Cats Protection.

Drop us a line...

IF you've got a view on a topic of local or national interest which you would like to share with the readers of the Champion, why not drop us a line?

Letters can be posted or emailed to the respective addresses listed at the top of this page. They should be concise, preferably no more than 350 words, and include the sender's name, address and contact details, although not necessarily for publication.

Correspondents preferring not to have their name and/or their address published may provide a suitable nom de plume.

The editor reserves the right to edit all items submitted for favour of publication.

■ PLEASE note: All views and opinions expressed in letters to the editor are solely those of the authors.

Not talking about death can make it harder for bereaved loved ones to deal with

RECENT media stories on research by Macmillan Cancer Support shows the pain of not planning for death can leave bereaved loved ones experiencing emotional, financial and/or practical issues as a result of not knowing all of the deceased's wishes.

Almost one in four people recently bereaved did not know all of the deceased's wishes and have experienced one or more emotional, financial or practical issues as a result.

Issues included being unsure if the funeral was what the person would have wanted, emotional distress over not knowing what their wishes were and having to front unexpected financial costs following the death.

These were some of the findings from a YouGov survey of over 2,000 adults carried out for Macmillan.

For many people living with cancer, having these things in order can give a sense of control.

But whatever stage of life you are at, tackling the important 'death admin' and vital paperwork can help you feel less anxious about the future knowing that your practical and financial affairs are taken care of, so you can get on with living life as fully as you can.

We are therefore urging people to consider their loved ones as well as themselves by talking to them about death and starting to make practical arrangements to help ensure their wishes are carried out.

Things you could chat about include the sort of medical treatment you want at the end, the funeral you'd like, the legacy you want to leave behind and who you want to remember in your will.

Macmillan has information and resources on its website to help tackle the 'death admin' including a quiz to find out how ready you are to talk about death, a guide for starting the conversation and a 'death admin' checklist.

Death is sad and hard on people you leave behind.

But talking about it now can stop it being harder than it should be.

Tanya Humphreys,
Macmillan head of services,
North West England.

Couple's slimming double act is a winner!

Report by **Henry James**

Judith and Derek Berkley before (left) and (right) after losing the weight.

RECENT research claims that couples who aim to get healthy together are three times more likely to be successful as those who go solo - and one happy pair from Ormskirk are living proof after losing a combined weight of six-and-a-half stones and winning a slimming competition!

Judith and Derek Berkley have transformed their lives since joining their local Slimming World group.

The couple, who have been married for 50 years, decided to join Slimming World after realising that their weight was making them unhappy and putting their health at risk.

Judith said: "It's easy for couples to become comfortable with one another and over time daily life takes priority over your weight and health. So, like many people, our weight crept up gradually.

"I originally joined the group and lost two-and-a-half stone after following the club's Food Optimising healthy eating plan. This encourages 'free foods' that are filling but low in calories and fat - like fruit and veg, pasta, rice, potatoes, lean meat, fish and eggs - while still enjoying small amounts of foods that most diets forbid like chocolate, crisps and alcohol, so it's possible to lose weight without feeling hungry.

"I knew Derek would also benefit by eating healthily and losing weight because he was diagnosed with type 2 diabetes with raised blood pressure and cholesterol and was in the obese range.

"And after seeing me lose weight without going hungry, with some gentle persuasion he joined the group too and has never looked back,"

Derek, who has lost four stone, said: "Not only was I impressed with how much I could eat, I also loved the help and support I received from my consultant, Tina Whewell, and my fellow members - it's been invaluable. I am at a weight that I haven't been for 30 years and I know I couldn't have done it without them."

Derek has also been able to reduce his medication with diabetes in remission and his blood pressure and cholesterol are both normal, which he attributes to his weight loss.

He added: "I think doing it together has definitely made a big difference. I expected losing weight to be hard work but I've actually really enjoyed it.

"We do so much more together and have so much more energy. We love getting out together for holidays and spending time looking after the grandchildren."

Tina Whewell, who runs the Slimming World group at Ormskirk Rugby Club, said: "Judith and Derek are living proof that slimmers are more successful when they lose weight with a loved one because they can make changes together which is often easier.

"Some men think that slimming clubs and support are just for women but that is just not true.

"Seeing Judith and Derek's weight come down week after week has been a joy. They're a real inspiration to the rest of the group, including me."

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MP hits out at 'failing' mental health services

Report by **Kenny Parker**

MP ROSIE Cooper has hit out at "failing mental health provision" for patients in the borough.

Following the release of a highly critical report into mental health services across Lancashire, Ms Cooper said she has consistently complained about the poor service to West Lancashire residents demanding action from the Lancashire Care Foundation Trust and its commissioners, West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group and NHS England.

The West Lancs MP said: "We have had a lot of talk but precious little action to fix the very real problems.

"The report is highly critical of the mental health provision across Lancashire including my West Lancashire constituency, which is no surprise given the number of constituents who come to me for support with complex mental health problems and issues with accessing services in Lancashire.

"Worse still is that this report and its authors at no point consulted with either Southport and Ormskirk Hospitals or Mersey Care Foundation Trust, both of whom are involved with patients in West Lancashire.

"This is a massive failing in itself from the Healthier Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System (ICS) of which West Lancashire is a part, not to consult with the relevant trusts on the plan to fix the problems and find solutions and better support my constituents."

The wide-ranging report carried out by Northumberland, Tyne and Wear NHS Foundation Trust into mental health services and service users' experience, made 27 recommendations.

Healthier Lancashire and South Cumbria (HLSC), a partnership of local authority, public sector, NHS and voluntary and community organisations, has said it is taking action.

Among the report's many findings were that some patients were sent far from home, sometimes hundreds of miles away, to other hospitals, causing problems to both patients and their family members. Patients also had long waits in inappropriate circumstances - such as sitting in A&E, waiting on a trolley in a corridor for 10 hours, and overnight waits - for specialist liaison teams to carry out an assessment. Following initial assessments, patients could then wait days for a bed.

Dr Amanda Doyle, GP and chief officer for the HLSC Integrated Care System, said: "We are grateful to the service users, members of staff and stakeholders who contributed to the review. Their open and honest input has helped to create a clear picture of where we have gone wrong, and what we need to do to improve. We have listened to this feedback and we understand people will want to see action as quickly as possible."

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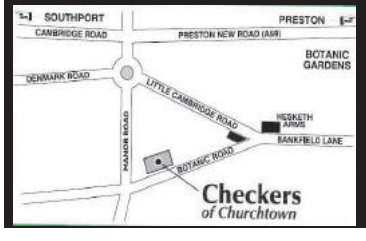

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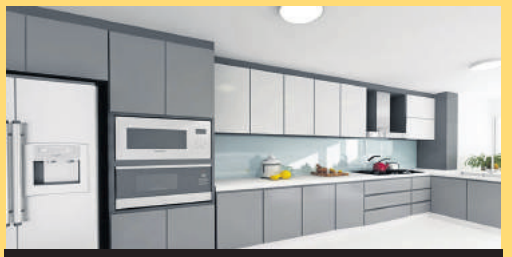

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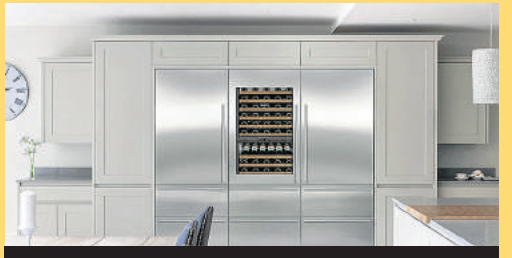

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Drivers reminded of expected delays on A59

MOTORISTS are being reminded to expect delays on the main route between Ormskirk and Burscough due to drainage work being carried out for a new development.

Temporary traffic lights are expected to be in place on the east (Burscough) side of the roundabout which gives access to the Ringtail Retail Park to control traffic at the junction of the A59 Liverpool Road South, Abbey Lane, and Lordsgate Lane until Friday, June 14.

This is to allow deep excavation work to access drainage which runs under the A59 and make connections to a new children's nursery being developed on the old Toll Bar Cottage site, adjacent to Abbey Lane.

Peter Bell, regulation and enforcement manager for Lancashire County Council, said: "We're aware that the work is likely to cause some disruption and have worked closely with the developer to look at all the options to mitigate the impact as far as possible. However the nature of the work means that temporary traffic lights will need to be in place for the duration and I would ask people who make regular journeys in this area to be aware of the potential for delays."

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Moores family still top of borough's 'Rich List'

THE Moores family are still at the top of the pile of people with connections to West Lancashire in this year's Sunday Times Rich List.

The list is based on identifiable wealth, including land, property and other assets such as art and racehorses or significant shares in publicly-quoted companies. It excludes bank accounts, to which the newspaper has no access.

According to the list, the Moores family's estimated fortune has increased by £4m from £1.202bn to £1.206bn but they have fallen from 114th to 124th.

David Moores.

The family includes David Moores, 73, who lives in Halsall. He sold his majority stake in Liverpool FC to US businessmen, George Gillet and Tom Hicks in February 2007 for a reported £90m.

Next up is John Hargreaves, 75, the founder of Matalan, which used to be based in Skelmersdale but has now moved to Knowsley.

He has risen from joint 251st to joint 230th on the list with his wealth reported to be up from £500m to £600m.

Other millionaires with links to West Lancashire include Dave Whelan who lives in Parbold. The 82-year-old, who sold Wigan Athletic Football Club for a reported £22m last year, built up the JJB sports retailer before selling the family stake for £190m. He has fallen to joint 569th on the list from joint 554th with an estimated fortune down by £5m to £210m.

Alan Murphy, 70, who made his money from producing toilet rolls at his factory in Skelmersdale, also features on the list. Last year the 'bog-roll king' was joint 630th with an estimated £190m. This year his fortune has stayed the same but he has dropped to joint 641st.

To make the top 1,000 you must be worth at least £120m.

Pledge to improve support for Crohn's and Colitis sufferers

A PROPOSAL to improve support for people in Lancashire with Crohn's, Colitis and other bowel and urinary conditions has been agreed by county councillors.

Crohn's Disease causes inflammation of the digestive system or gut while Colitis causes inflammation and ulceration of the inner lining of the rectum and colon which, among other symptoms, can result in painful and uncontrollable diarrhea and passing of blood.

Around 300,000 people across the country are thought to have these conditions, although the actual number could be double this.

Lancashire County Council will now work with national charity Crohn's and Colitis UK to implement the following:

•Create a better understanding of Crohn's and Colitis, its symptoms and the support needed.
•Improve public and private toilet access.
•Ensure the county council leads by example in its employment practices.
•Develop a pledge together with public and private sector organisations to increase recognition of the 'Can't Wait' card programme, encourage them to share their toilets and provide better information about toilet facilities

County Councillor Andrew Snowden, who put the proposal forward said: "I want to raise awareness. Inflammatory bowel disorders like these are incredibly painful, exhausting and stressful. They cause a lot of suffering and for many, they also have life-threatening and life-changing consequences."

My Tina's back to her old self - thanks to vets male and female

ONE MAN and his DOG with JIM SHARPE

THANKFULLY, it seems, I have almost certainly been worrying unnecessarily about Tina (the eponymous 'Dog') since her operation.

For the first couple of days she continued not to eat - then, to my relief, she started again, only to stop once more. One problem with that, of course, was that it was impossible to administer the pills and liquid designed to combat any possible infection, since they were to be taken with food.

A further pre-booked check-up visit to the vet brought some degree of reassurance and sure enough, after a couple of food-less days, she reverted to her normal eating habits. For all of three days this time.

Still, she was due for her (hopefully) final vet visit only two days later, so today I sat tight and hoped for the best.

On this occasion, after seeing three different female veterinarians, I was confronted by a man who explained that these days most folk wishing to become vets are indeed females - as apparently is the case also with human doctors. Not that I am complaining - each vet I came across treated both Tina and myself very well indeed.

But it was this last vet who put my mind at ease. He confirmed the info I had previously been given that dogs (and apparently cats even more so) are far better at concealing pain than us humans. After a really major operation he reckoned that Tina was standing up very well and that a woman who had had similar surgery would almost certainly still be in hospital.

He also thought that having most of her 'womanly bits' removed might have upset her hormones and this could be part of the problem.

Having given her a good check-up he reckoned Tina could most certainly be 'signed off', particularly since she now weighs a little more than she did immediately pre-op. So now I am a far happier bunny that I was.

Anyway, seeing the male vet got me thinking again about the various jobs men and women do, and their title when doing it. I am quite happy with vets, teachers or doctors all being called the same, since they are doing the same job. But that doesn't stop me from thinking that there is any excuse for calling folk in other jobs and professions by silly names.

Obvious

A 'bar person' for instance or ditto police, fire, or any other made-up 'person' title. What on earth is discriminatory about a barman or barmaid? Why is it morally wrong to know you will be seeing a policeman or policewoman?

In some cases it can be an obvious help to know whether you are to be confronted by a male or female and, to me at least, it helps to build a mental picture of the kind of person you're likely to be confronted with.

For that matter, no-one I would think would be annoyed at the grotto with a Father or Mother Christmas, but what child would look forward to seeing a Christmas Representative Person - with or without a beard?

Interestingly, there are some jobs which can be too physically demanding for at least most women and some which used to fall into this category but now do not.

Bus driver for instance. I can remember back in the 1960s, bus drivers having occasionally to stand up from their seats in order to heave eight tons of double deck bus round a tight road junction without the aid of power steering.

Now though, female bus drivers are a common sight - and good luck to them I say.

It's not any kind of crusade on my part over this whole subject, it's simply that I really dislike the bastardisation of our language just to accommodate a few zealots.

Even when there is no good reason why both men and women can do a similarly good job of whatever it is, there are times even in this 'enlightened' day and age, when you may be asked: "Would you prefer to see a man or a woman?"; or indeed when you might make a point of asking specifically for one sex or another.

Who, anyway, appointed these guardians of the English language?

And why does everyone try to fall over backwards to accommodate them?

New venue for Oddfellows 'coffee and chat' morning

THE Ormskirk & Southport Oddfellows Society's monthly Ormskirk 'Coffee & Chat' morning is on the move.

Previously held at Café Vista at Christ Church, Aughton, from Wednesday, June 12 it will be held at O'Brien's Tea Rooms in Park Road, Ormskirk.

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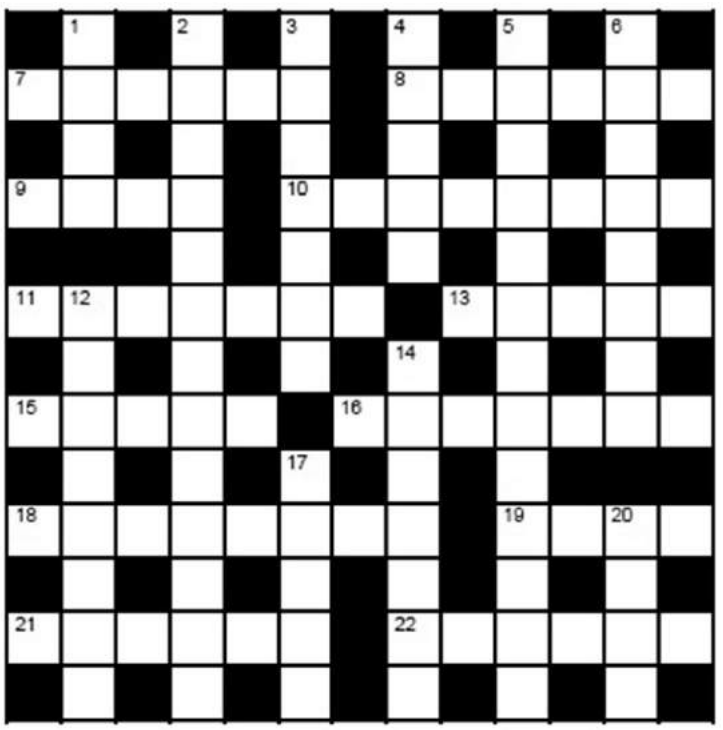

Last week's solutions:

Across: 7. Tidy up. 8. Hardly. 9. Biro. 10. Reprisal. 11. Tyranny. 13. Lives. 15. Inuit. 17. Tangent. 20. Cornwall. 21. Duma. 22. Clothe. 23. Dieter.

Down: 1. Vilify. 2. Tyro. 3. Sparing. 4. Chips. 5. Training. 6. Sleaze. 12. Alienate. 14. Ballads. 16. Noodle. 18. Numbed. 19. Famed. 21. Deed.

ACROSS

7. Relating to government revenue, especially taxes (6)
8. A passionate expression of grief or sorrow (6)
9. List of dishes available at a restaurant (4)
10. Dawn; first light (8)
11. Mass public brawls (7)
13. Informal term for an exclusive newspaper story (5)
15. Person who shows the way, e.g. to a group of tourists (5)
16. Regular oval shape (7)
18. In a gloomy or dull manner; dismally (8)
19. An organised military force (4)
21. Joined together for a common purpose (6)
22. A rectangular object or flat figure with unequal adjacent sides (6)

DOWN

1. Predatory freshwater fish (4)
2. Something one learns to like (8,5)
3. Old-fashioned term for a flirtatious look (4,3)
4. County in North East Wales (5)
5. (Of a course of action) impossible in practice to do or carry out (13)
6. Notorious (8)
12. Chemical element, a poisonous pale yellow gas of the halogen series (8)
14. Wealthy pleasure-seeker; men's magazine founded by Hugh Hefner in 1953 (7)
17. A woman, especially an elderly one, regarded as annoying or interfering (5)
20. Small, semi-aquatic mammal valued for its fur (4)

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Some of the winners from last year's awards event.

Entry deadline near for Educate Awards

THE deadline for this year's Educate Awards is approaching, with entries closing at midnight on Sunday, June 23.

The awards are open to all Government-funded and independent private educational establishments, including primary, secondary, further education providers and special needs schools.

Founded by Kim O'Brien in 2012, they are the largest education awards in the North West, celebrating very aspect of schools' curriculum, teaching and staff.

From inspiring teachers and superb support staff to innovative projects across the curriculum, the awards recognise the work of schools and colleges which are delivering outstanding education and helping students achieve their full potential.

In total there are 21 categories including Teacher of the Year, Career Aspiration, School Support Star of the Year and Outstanding Commitment to Sport.

The awards are free to enter and schools can submit entries for as many categories as they like.

This year, a new category has been launched which recognises schools' commitment to mental wellbeing. The Mental Health & Wellbeing Award will be awarded to a school with a strong commitment to promoting social and emotional wellbeing, mental health and wellness.

Founder, Kim O'Brien, said: "With only a few weeks left to enter, we're calling on all local schools and colleges to get their entries in sooner rather than later.

"This is a fantastic opportunity to showcase your school's various departments or even nominate an individual who goes above and beyond in the classroom.

"We wish everyone who enters the very best of luck and we can't wait for the glittering awards ceremony to take place in November."

The shortlist will be announced prior to the awards ceremony and the winners will be revealed on Friday, November 15 at Liverpool Cathedral. For further information, including full details of how to enter, visit www.educateawards.co.uk.

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Community projects can bid for 'proceeds of crime' funding

Grants of up to £3,000 available from £150k pot

LANCASHIRE'S Police and Crime Commissioner, Clive Grunshaw has relaunched his Community Action Fund, with £150k of funding recovered from criminals set to be invested back into communities across the county.

Small grants of up to £3,000 will be provided to help groups tackle local concerns and deliver the commissioner's key priorities in his Police and Crime Plan.

This builds on the success of the fund since its launch in 2013, with last year seeing more grants that ever given to local groups and organisations and £111,625.16 invested into neighbourhoods across Lancashire.

The Community Action Fund annual report highlights the key successes which have been seen during 2018/19.

Clive Grunshaw.

Mr Grunshaw said: "I'm pleased that we are able to provide more funding through the Community Action Fund than ever before, which has been recovered from proceeds of crime and will be invested into our neighbourhoods to tackle crime and keep people safe.

"Local people have great ideas that can make a real, measurable difference in their areas and I have seen this time and again since first launching the fund six years ago. Since that time it has funded 236 projects which have been delivered in every area of Lancashire and I'm excited to see this work continue.

"They deliver great value for money with the relatively small investment often having a large impact both on individuals and communities as a whole and help me to achieve my key priorities in my Police and Crime Plan."

For more details on the Community Action Fund, including funding criteria and how to apply, visit the CAF section of the commissioner's website https://www.lancashire-pcc.gov.uk/ or call 01772412796.

County council appoints new chairman

COUNTY Councillor Paul Rigby has been appointed as the new chairman of Lancashire County Council.

A farmer, Cllr. Rigby, who represents Fylde South, said: "I feel very honoured to have been asked by my fellow councillors to serve as chairman. It's a privilege to serve the people of Lancashire in this way. I'm looking forward to highlighting the varied work people do across the county, especially farming and rural life, along with the voluntary work that people do to help others."

Cllr. Rigby was elected to the county council in 2009 and served as vice-chairman to last year's chairman, County Councillor Anne Cheetham.

The authority's new vice-chairman is County Councillor Susie Charles, who represents Lancaster Rural East and has been cabinet member for children, young people and schools since 2017.

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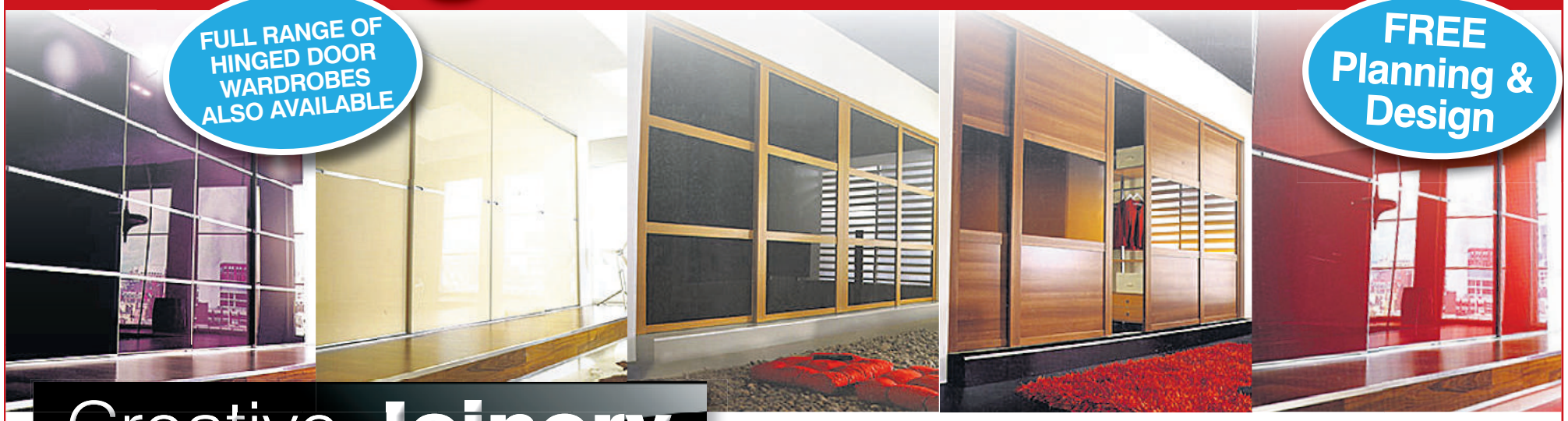

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Longlist announced for this year's Edge Hill Short Story Prize

THE longlist for the 13th Edge Hill University Short Story Prize has been announced.

This year's list includes collections of 'flash fiction' which is defined as a fictional work of extreme brevity - typically a few hundred words - that still offers character and plot development.

The Edge Hill Short Story Prize, the only UK-based award to recognise excellence in a single authored short story collection, was founded in 2006 by the world's first Professor of Short Fiction, Ailsa Cox.

It aims to highlight the intricate artisanship of short story writing and acknowledge the wealth of published collections available.

The 12-strong list, representing a range of new writing from UK and Irish writers, is: Leila Aboulela (*Elsewhere Home*); Wendy Erskine (*Sweet Home*); Mia Gallagher (*Shift*); Vicky Grut (*Live Show Drink Included*); Rosemary Jenkinson (*Catholic Boy*); Chris Power (*Mothers*); Lionel Shriver (*Property*); David Szalay (*Turbulence*); Simon Van Booy (*The Sadness of Beautiful Things*); Lucy Wood (*The Sing of the Shore*) and flash fiction entries Michael Conley (*Flare and Falter*) and Clare Fisher (*How the Light Gets In*).

A short list will be announced by September with the winner of the £10,000 prize announced at a ceremony in London in November.

Last year's winner Tessa Hadley is one of the judges for this year's prize.

Judges for this year's prize are Elizabeth Baines, writer and short story expert; Tessa Hadley winner of the 2018 Edge Hill Short Story Prize with *Bad Dreams*; and Sam Jordison, writer, journalist and co-founder of Galley Beggar Press.

The ceremony will also include a £1,000 reader's choice award to an author from the shortlist and a further category for short stories by Edge Hill University's MA Creative Writing students.

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MERSEYRAIL has stopped automatically printing receipts for customers with the aim of saving up to 600km of wasted paper each year.

Ticket offices will no longer print out lengthy receipts for customers as the rail operator continues its commitment to being more environmentally friendly.

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LANCASHIRE County Council is staging another of its information events for people who may be thinking of growing their family through adoption.

Offering an opportunity to find out about the process involved, it will be held at County Hall, Preston on Tuesday, June 11 between 6 and 7.30pm.

There's no need to book, you can just turn up, but early arrival is recommended so that the presentation can start promptly at 6pm and those attending are asked to stay for the whole session.

The council is focusing on two different types of adoption.

Best for Baby (concurrent placements) place babies and young children, aged up to two, with foster carers who may go on to give them a permanent home.

Better Beginnings (the fostering-for-adoption scheme) is for children where there is no realistic prospect of a return to their birth family.

County Councillor Phillippa Williamson, Lancashire's cabinet member for children, young people and schools, said: "We need people from all backgrounds to offer a permanent home and family to children who are not able to live with their birth family. We want to hear from people irrespective of their race, gender, sexuality, living arrangements, age or employment status. You can adopt as long as you are over 21 and live in Lancashire or close by."

Best for Baby (concurrent placements) place a baby or child straight away with their prospective adopters, who are also approved as foster carers, while the birth family is assessed and the court makes a decision.

Lancashire County Council is holding another information event for would-adopters.
Photo posed by a model.

Cllr. Williamson added: "Best for Baby placements mean that there's some degree of uncertainty because there is always a small chance the child might go home. If the adults can take on this uncertainty, the baby will have the chance of a more secure start in life. If they are adopted, they'll have been with their adoptive family for much longer."

Better Beginnings carers are approved as temporary foster carers but are prepared to adopt the child if it is eventually decided that they can't return to their birth family. This can give children continuous care in the home that they may settle in permanently, rather than spending months with other foster carers first. They also give the added benefit of allowing them to bond with their new family at an earlier age.

The scheme has been encouraged by Government as part of reforms to speed up the adoption process.

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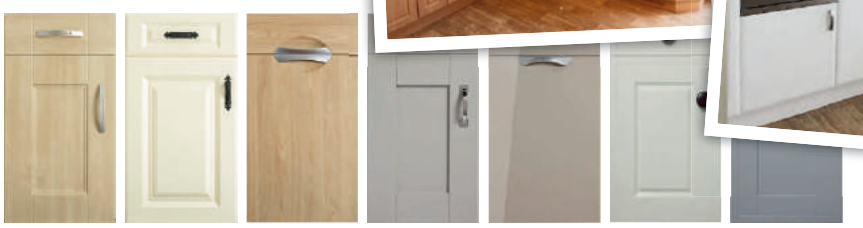

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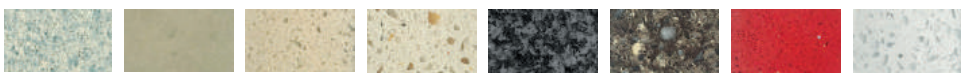

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Fledgling drama proves compelling viewing for couple

A NATURE-loving couple from West Lancs have been enjoying reality TV with a difference - with all the 'action' filmed in their own garden!

Geoff and Sue Helm set up three bird boxes in the garden of their home in Aughton five years ago and at least two of them have been occupied each year.

But this year they took their bird-watching to a new level after receiving a family Christmas present in the shape of a video camera which they installed in one of the boxes.

And it has produced some compelling viewing as the couple were able to monitor the progress of their latest 'tenants', a family of great tits, via their own Springwatch-style programme.

Wonderful

Geoff said the camera was straightforward to install and he hopes their example may encourage others to enjoy watching the local bird life up close.

He said: "This year we had a wonderful addition to the 'family' - eight great tit eggs were laid, as seen via our bird box video and camera.

"And although, sadly, only four fledged, my wife and I have spent many hours in the evening watch them grow up."

● Right: The great tits' nest and fledglings as viewed by Aughton resident Geoff Helm with his birdbox video camera.

Prayer and praise events in Parbold

CHRIST Church, Parbold is taking part in a world-wide prayer evangelisation event.

Now in its fourth year, Thy Kingdom Come is led by the Church of England but involves different churches and denominations from 85 countries and runs between Ascension, Thursday, May 30 and Pentecost, Sunday, June 9.

As part of the event, today (Wednesday, June 5) Christ Church, will be open for quiet time and reflection between noon and 2pm and then will hold an evening communion service from 7.30pm.

On Thursday (June 6) there will be prayer time from 9 to 10am and a Holy Communion service at 10.30am. And on Friday (June 7) between 8 and 10am there will be a service called '5:18 Pentecost Praise.'

The series of special events at the Parbold church concludes on Saturday (June 8) with a Timeout Service at 7pm and Pentecost Praise at 8.15pm.

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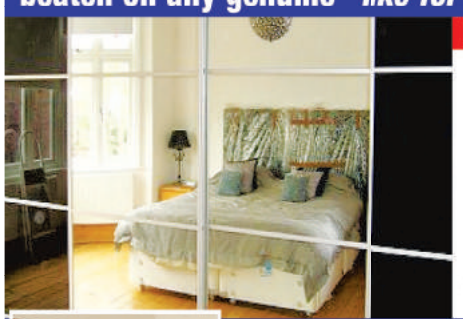

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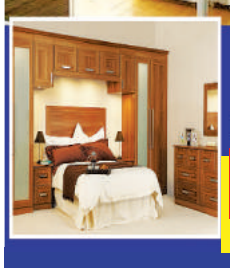

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Why Is Volunteering Important?
As well as helping others, volunteering has been shown to improve volunteers' wellbeing too. It's human nature to feel good after helping someone out. Volunteering can also help you gain valuable new skills and experiences, and boost your confidence.

67% of volunteers give their time to charities and community groups, but many others also volunteer in the public and private sectors.

Want to volunteer but don't know where to start?
Volunteers' Week is a great time to find out more. There are all kinds of volunteering roles out there, contributing to many different causes. Volunteers' Week is an ideal time to get chatting to organisations you're interested in and find out more about their volunteering opportunities.

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Catch comedy caper at Liverpool Empire

FOLLOWING the sell-out success of its award-winning comedy The Play That Goes Wrong, Mischief's first UK tour of The Comedy About A Bank Robbery is on tour and is at the Liverpool Empire this week until Saturday.

Now booking into its third year at the Criterion Theatre in London, Mischief Theatre's smash-and-grab hit, The Comedy About A Bank Robbery, is a fast comedy caper hailed the funniest show in the West End!

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Producer Kenny Wax said: "Audiences are in for another hilarious treat and we salute Mischief for having written another wonderfully funny play."

Mischief Theatre was founded in 2008 by a group of graduates of The London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art (LAMDA).

Starting as an improvised theatre group on the London and Edinburgh fringes, they have grown into one of the UK's leading theatre companies, winning the Olivier Award for Best New Comedy for The Play That Goes Wrong, and licensing their productions worldwide.

Mischief Theatre have two shows playing concurrently in the West End: The Play That Goes Wrong at the Duchess Theatre - also playing on Broadway and touring the UK - and The Comedy About A Bank Robbery at the Criterion Theatre.

A scene from The Comedy About A Bank Robbery

In 2016, Mischief made their television debut on the BBC with Peter Pan Goes Wrong (Olivier Award Nominee 2016), which has also enjoyed two sell-out West End seasons.

Mischief returned to BBC One in 2017 with a new Christmas special, A Christmas Carol Goes Wrong.

The company is led by artistic director Henry Lewis and company director Jonathan Sayer.

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The cast of The Wedding Singer

Spotlights in rehearsal for their next production

AWARD winning, local theatre group, Southport Spotlights, are currently in rehearsal for their next show - The Wedding Singer.

This show is a first for Southport audiences and pictured are the cast in the rehearsal room.

It's 1985. Hair is huge, greed is good and rock-star wannabe Robbie Hart is New Jersey's favourite wedding singer.

Don't miss your chance to join the party of the year – with a musical that promises to get you up dancing, packed with songs which capture all the fun and energy of the smash hit film.

The show runs from June 26 – 29 at the Little Theatre in Southport. There is a matinee on Saturday, June 29 at 2.30pm.

If you want to book tickets for this "amazing not-to-be-missed" musical call 07927 331 977 or visit www.ticketsource.co.uk/Southport-Spotlights.

The Little Theatre box office opens on Wednesday, June 19 from 11am to 2.30pm for The Wedding Singer. Telephone number 01704 530521.

There is more information on the society website at www.southportspotlights.co.uk.

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Company presenting 'compelling and haunting piece of theatre'

"WHAT'S the buzz, tell me what's a'happening".

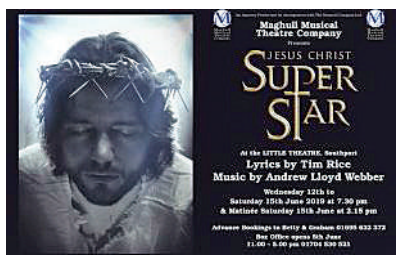
Well, at Southport's Little Theatre, from Wednesday 12 to Saturday, June 15, Maghull Musical Theatre Company are performing Jesus Christ Superstar.

Evenings at 7.30 p.m. with a Matinée at 2.15 p.m. on the Saturday as well as the evening performance.

This phenomenal award-winning show has not been performed by an adult Company in Southport before.

It is a compelling and haunting piece of theatre with show stopping songs such as Gethsemane, I don't know how to love him, Hosanna and of course Jesus Christ Superstar.

A must see show, featuring a talented and experienced cast.



Play to make its debut at Royal Court

PLAYWRIGHT Dave Kirby has written a new comedy: Lost Soul 2 – Smigger's Wrecked Head which is to make its debut at Liverpool's Royal Court.

The original Lost Soul began at the Royal Court in 2007 looking at the lives of Smigger, Pat, Donna and Terry as they dealt with modern life passing them by while they yearned for the good old days.

50,000 people came to see that smash hit comedy and it really struck a note with a generation who spent their youths in the soul music clubs of the 1970s and 80s.

The original cast are back for the show, which begins a few months after the original Lost Soul finishes. Jake Abraham, Lindzi Germain, Catherine Rice, Andrew Schofield and Lenny Woodall return to their roles. Bob Eaton will direct again and the set design is by Jocelyn Meall.

In the show Smigger's having a mid-life crisis. All he wants to do is roll back the years and dance to 70s' soul music with Donna, Terry and Pat. But since the grandkid came along, Donna hasn't been interested in their usual Sunday nights in town (or much else).

Their daughter hasn't helped, lumbering them with the baby most weekends while she's out with the dad. Well, maybe the dad (it's a one in four chance). Smigger's had enough, his head's wrecked and he's not having it any more.

Dave Kirby

Smigger, Donna, Terry and Pat will take us from Scottie road to Pontins Prestatyn to Liverpool's over-40's Sunday night pub scene for endless laughter set to a 70s' soul soundtrack that will have you dancing out of the Royal Court and strutting straight down to Smokie Mo's.

Dave Kirby said: "Twelve years ago, Lost Soul opened at the Royal Court. Two more runs and over 50,000 jubilant people later I finally got round to writing a sequel after being asked about 50,000 times!

"The mid-life crisis theme continues with real characters, real humour and a real buzz about the script, all woven together by the original cast and great 70's soundtrack. Look forward to seeing another 50,000 jubilant people."

Smigger's Wrecked Head runs from Friday, June 7 to Saturday, July 6.

Smash hit musical finally coming to resort venue

THE smash hit musical, Buddy Holly Lives, is finally coming to Southport.

Written by Merseyside's King of Swing, Asa Murphy, it features Asa telling the life story of the rock'n'roll legend, accompanied by audio and visual effects, and performing the greatest hits of Buddy Holly and The Crickets, accompanied by The Buddy Band.

The show, which has sold out at every venue so far, is at the Waterfront Theatre at 7.30pm on Friday, August 9.

This has been a breakthrough year for Asa, who has been given his own weekly show on BBC Radio Merseyside, and his next venture is Mack the Knife – The Bobby Darin Story, due in theatres later in the year.

Tickets for Buddy Holly Lives are £20. They are now on sale at the Waterfront Box Office or online.

Asa Murphy. Photo by Ron Ellis

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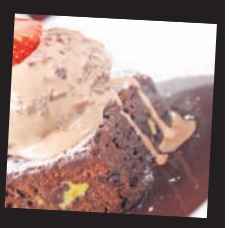

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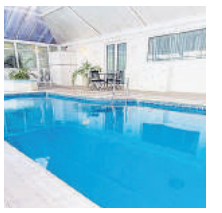

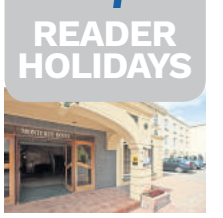

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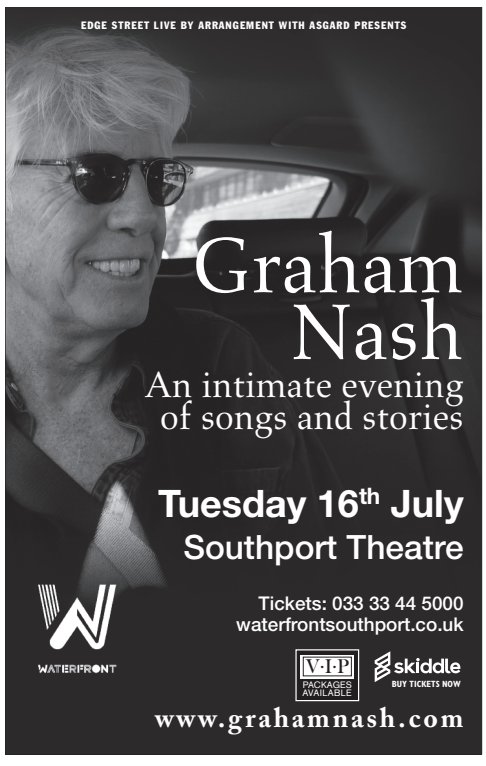

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Steven, Deborah, Daniel, Rebecca and Craig would like to express their sincere thanks to all relatives and friends for their kind messages of sympathy shown to them during the recent sad loss of Hilda and for the donations for The Border Collie Trust and St Cuthbert's Church received in her memory.
We also wish to thank the doctors and staff at The Corner Surgery and District Nurses at Churchtown Community Centre. Special thanks to the Reverend Rebecca Clarke for an uplifting service and Mike, Sam and Chris at Moisters for their exceptional care and attention.

BERKLEY DAVID (DAVE)

Pauline, Rita and families would like to express their sincere thanks and kindness to all relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind messages, flowers, cards and donations received for Queenscourt Hospice during their very sad loss. Thank you to everyone who attended St. Pauls Church and West Lancashire Crematorium. Special thanks to Eleanor West for her lovely fitting tribute to Dave. Also special thanks to Margaret Whitelam of Skelmersdale Funeral Service for their caring arrangements

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

DONNELLY JAMES FRANCIS (JIM)

The family would like to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to all relatives, friends and neighbours, for the kind messages of condolence, sympathy cards and donations to Cancer Research received during their recent sad loss. Special thanks to all the staff on Ward 15b Southport Hospital for the kindness & consideration shown to Jim & the whole family, and grateful thanks to Lisa Hunter and all at MLS Independent Funeral Directors for all the kind & professional support received.

STURGEON BOB

The family of the late Bob Sturgeon wish to express their sincere thanks to all relatives, friends and neighbours for the kindness and sympathy shown to them during their recent bereavement. Also for the cards and donations to Dementia UK. Thanks to Dr McClelland and Dr Stevens and Doctors and staff of ward 15A, Southport Hospital. Special thanks to Martin Abrams for his personal touch to the service. Also thanks to John Martin for his tribute to Bobby and to Mike and Dianne and all the Staff of Moisters for the dignified and professional funeral arrangements.

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TAYLOR FRANK

Ada Taylor would like to express her sincere thanks and appreciation to all relatives, friends and neighbours for the many messages of condolences, sympathy cards, support and attendance at the Funeral Service. Grateful thanks for the donations received for the British Lung Foundation, and finally to Rev. Pauline Bicknell, Rolf and all the staff at Hunters Funeral Directors

CARDWELL ALISON JULIA

Mark and family would like to express their sincere thanks to all relatives, friends and neighbours for all the sympathy cards, messages of condolence and donations for Queenscourt Hospice and The British Heart Foundation received during their recent sad loss. Thanks also to Rev. Ross Moughtin for his kind words and prayers and to Lisa Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors for the dignified funeral arrangements.

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IN MEMORIAM

RATCLIFFE CATHERINE (KITTY)

One Year Anniversary
3rd June

Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us every day,
Unseen, unheard, but always near,
Still loved, still missed and very dear.
Love Ann, Sharon, Justin, Cathy, Carl, Louis and Thomas xxx

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Love forever
Husband George,
Sons Dean and Gary
xxx

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(Make Request).

There are none that can withstand your powers. Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 Times).

Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3 times).

Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine.

This prayer must be said for three days and after that the request will be granted and the prayer must be published.

P.V.E.

DEATHS

CUPIT ROBERT (BOBBY)

14th May 2019
aged 77 years

Loving Husband to Isabella.
Dear Father to James and Susan and Grandad to James and Amy.
Funeral Service was at St. Helens Crematorium on Friday 31st May.
Enquiries to Devonports Funeral Services Tel:01695 731199

WAINWRIGHT ALAN

Died suddenly on 26th May 2019
at Southport Hospital
aged 78 years

The dearly loved Husband of Maureen and loving Dad to Mark and Martin.
Loving Grandad to Jack and Tom.
Funeral service and Interment to be held at St John the Evangelist R.C. Church, on Chapel Lane. Burscough on Tuesday 11th June at 12pm

All enquiries to April Hunter, MLS Independent Funeral Directors 22A Liverpool Road North, Burscough, Lancashire L40 5TP Tel:01704 891555

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DEATHS

SUMNER MARGARET ANN

(NEE ALTY)
28th May 2019
Aged 84 years

Dearly loved Mum of Deborah, Karen, Albert and Keith. Dear Mother-in-Law of Rose and Elaine. Much Loved Nana/Grandma to Victoria, Jacqueline, Hayley, Olivia and Billy. Much Loved Great Nana to Max, Zack and Phoebe. Service will take place at St Cuthbert's Church, Halsall on Thursday 13th June at 10.30 am followed by Committal at West Lancashire Crematorium. Enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR. Telephone: 01704 500086.

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COULTER ALBAN THOMAS

9th May 2019
At home, aged 66 years

Eldest Son of the late Thomas and Leonora Coulter. Much loved Dad of Sarah and Hannah and Grandad of Isabella. Dear Brother of Tina, Andrew, Adele and Miriam. Alban will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

Further enquiries please to Brookfields Funeralcare, 73-75 Shakespeare Street, Southport, PR8 5AJ. Tel No: 01704 532106.

DEATHS

BECKETT MAY

31st May 2019
aged 85 Years

Loving Wife of Ernie (deceased).
Loving Mum of Paul, Sara and Ronnie, Mother In-Law of Sandra, Dean and Terri,
Much Loved Nana to all Her Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren, will be sadly missed.
Funeral Service at West Lancashire Crematorium on Wednesday 12th June 2019 at 10:00am
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CARR BARRY THOMAS

Suddenly in hospital on 22nd May 2019, aged 79 years

Devoted Husband and soul mate of Pam.
Beloved Brother of Rita, Donald and the late Raymond.
Dear Brother-in-law of Frances, Joyce, Gunther, Joan and John. Much loved Uncle to all his Nephews and Nieces.
Funeral Service and Committal will take place at Southport Crematorium on Friday 7th June 2019 at 10.40am.
Family flowers only please but donations are welcome to Southport Kidney Fund.
Further enquiries please to Moisters Funeral Directors, 8 Marshside Road, Churchtown, Southport PR9 8PF Tel: 01704 227430.

DEATHS

WILLIAMS MAY

27th May 2019
Peacefully, at Abbey Wood Lodge after a long battle with illness.

Cherished Wife of late George Williams, Beloved Mum of David, Loving Mother in Law of Gulya and Grandmother of George. Dear Auntie and Cousin who will continue to be loved and missed by her extended family and friends. Funeral service at St Andrew's Church, Maghull on Tuesday June 11th 2019 at 11:30am followed by Cremation at Anfield Crematorium.
Family flowers only please but donations, if desired may be made to British Heart Foundation.
All further enquiries c/o Graham J Clegg Funeral Service, 7 Dover Road, Maghull. L31 5JB Tel: 0151 520 3330

BALDWIN MAUREEN

28th May 2019
Passed away at home
aged 75 years

Much loved Wife to Terry and Step Mum to David.
Loving Sister to Anthony, Penny and Simon. Devoted Aunt and Great Aunt.
Maureen will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.
Funeral Service at All Saints, Church, Hesketh Bank on Monday 10th June 2019 at 11.45am followed by committal at West Lancashire Crematorium at 1pm. Family flowers only but if so desired donations to Alzheimers Society.
Donations and further enquiries to Hunters of Ormskirk, 128b Burscough St, Ormskirk L39 2EY Tel: 01695 572997

DEATHS

MIDDLEHURST STEPHEN

17th May 2019
Suddenly surrounded by his loving family
aged 65 years

Loving Brother of Graham, Jean and Philip.
Cherished Uncle of Craig, Ryan, Jayne and Ian. Great Uncle of Aaron, Eliza and Nate and a dear friend to many.
Will be sadly missed by all his family and friends. Funeral service will take place at St Pauls Church on Friday 7th June at 11.45am followed by committal at West Lancashire Crematorium.
All enquiries to Margaret Whitelam, Skelmersdale Funeral Service, 29/31 Sandy Lane Tel:01695 559868

MUSE SYDNEY (SID)

26th May 2019
Peacefully at home surrrounded by his loving family
aged 76 years

Loving Husband of Rose.
Devoted Dad of Julie, Tony (deceased), Donna and Stephen.
Cherished Grandad of Tony (deceased), Dominique, Anthony, Daniel and Nicole.
Will be sadly missed by all his family and friends. Requiem Mass to take place at St. Richards Church on Monday 10th June at 10am, followed by interment at St. Helens Cemetery.
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DEATHS

MORGAN KEN

26th May 2019
Peacefully with his family around him
aged 84 years
of Skelmersdale

Husband of the late Joyce, Dad of David (deceased), Jean, Anne and Sue, Father in law of Gary and Kevan, Grandad of Katy, Ben, Joe and Jack. Ken will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.
Funeral service at West Lancashire Crematorium Chapel on Friday 7th June 2019 at 10:00am followed by interment in the cemetery.
Family flowers only please, donations if desired for Queenscourt Hospice.
All enquiries to Melanie Hardman at H Hardman & Co., Independent Famiy Funeral Directors Tel: 01695 722122/720012

DAVIES DOROTHY LILIAN "DOTTY"

16th May 2019
After a short illness, peacefully at Thomas Henshaw Court Aged 94 years.

Very kind and loving Mum of Susan and the late Janis.
Dear Mother-in-law of Geoff and Bev. Much loved Gran Dotty to all her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.
Loving Sister of Jacqueline, Harry and Ian. Dotty will be sadly missed by her family, friends and all who knew her. Funeral Service and Committal will take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Wednesday 12th June 2019 at 1.00pm.
Family flowers only by request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for Thomas Henshaw Court.
Further enquiries please to Brookfields Funeralcare, 73-75 Shakespeare Street, Southport, PR8 5AJ.
Tel No: 01704 532106.

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DEATHS

SOUTHWORTH CHARLES PETER (PETER)

Passed away peacefully on the 31st May 2019
Aged 89 years

Beloved Husband of Una, dearly loved Father, Father in-law, Grandfather and Great Grandfather.
At Peace
Funeral service will take place at Charnock Richard Crematorium on Tuesday 11th June 2019 at 4.30pm.
Family flowers only please but donations if so desired may go to Derian House Children's Hospice c/o the funeral director N & K Harvey Funerals Ltd
5-7 Balcarres Road, Leyland PR25 2EL
Tel 01772 622203.

MUSE SYDNEY

26th May 2019

"Dad"
I'm going to miss you more than words can say.
I know your suffering had to end and you had to go away, but I will never forget you Dad.
The man with a heart of gold. Our memories together I will treasure and hold until we meet again Dad.
Goodnight, God Bless.
Love you today, tomorrow and forever.
Julie
xxx

COOPE LYDIA

29th May 2019
Peacefully
aged 99 years

Loving Wife of the late Claude.
Very dearly loved by all her family and friends, will be sadly missed. Funeral service will take place at Southport Crematorium on Wednesday 12th June at 12.40pm. Family flowers only please by request. Donations if desired for Dementia U.K. or Action for Pulmonary Fibrosis.
All enquiries to Margaret Whitelam Skelmersdale Funeral Service, 29/31 Sandy Lane
Tel: 01695 559868

DEATHS

SIM RAYMOND

Aged 85 years
Died at home peacefully on 31st May 2019.

Dearly loved Husband to Lorna, Devoted Father to Mark, John & Roger and loving Grandad & Great Grandfather.
Will be sadly missed by all who knew him.
Funeral service to be held at St Michael's Church, Aughton on Friday 14th June at 10:00am followed by private committal at West Lancashire Crematorium, Burscough. Family Flowers only by request. Further Enquiries to Claire Newland Independent Funeral Director, 52 Gregory Lane, Halsall, L39 8SR.
01704 841 935

GILLON DIANE

After a short illness, peacefully at home on 30th May 2019, aged 76 years

Much loved Mum of Steven and Amanda. Dear Mother-in-law of Helen and Steven. Loving Nana of Becky, Daniel, Chloe, Lauren, Holly, Lucy and Mathew.
Sister of Alan.
Diane will be sadly missed by all her family and friends and all who knew her.
Funeral Service and Committal will take place at Southport Crematorium on Wednesday 12th June 2019 at 1.20pm.
Family flowers only by request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for Alzheimer's Society.
Further enquires please to Moisters Funeral Directors. 8 Marshside Road, Churchtown, Southport. PR9 8PF
Tel: 01704 227430.

DEATHS

O'SHEA NEE MASON ZOE MICHELLE

13th May 2019

Peacefully, in hospital, aged 50 years, with family and closest friends. A much loved Daughter of Susan. Loving Granddaughter of the late Lawrence and Kathleen Merritt. Very best friend to Sharron and family and good friend to Geoff. Zoe will be sadly be missed by all her family and friends and all who knew her.
Funeral Service and Committal will take place at Southport Crematorium on Friday 14th June 2019 at 3.20pm. All flowers welcome but if so desired donations can be made to Clatterbridge Hospital.
Further enquiries to Porters Funeralcare, 111a Bispham Road, Southport, PR9 7BJ, Telephone Number 01704 212714.

MOSS ELIZABETH (LIZ)

Died unexpectedly in hospital on 25th May 2019

Dearly loved Daughter of the late Derrick and Margaret, loving Sister to Wendy and Sister in law of Glyn. Much loved Niece of Eileen and Cousin to Carolyn and Fiona.
She will be greatly missed by her family and friends .
No flowers please.
Donations in memory of Elizabeth to Alzheimer's Society.
For details of funeral arrangements and donations please contact M. Rushton Funeral Directors, 100 Marshside Road, Southport, PR9 9TG
Tel: 01704 214118.

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DEATHS

DOBSON GEOFF

Passed away suddenly in hospital on the 19th May Aged 91 years.

Dearly beloved Husband of the late Ellen (Nellie) Dobson. Much loved Uncle of Guy, Judith, Jonathan, Lynne and Anthony.
Geoff will be sadly missed by all his family and friends and all who knew him.
Funeral Service will take place at Holy Trinity Church Tarleton on the 10th June at 1pm, followed by burial at St Mary's Churchyard Bank Bridge Tarleton.
Family flowers only by request please, however the family are gratefully receiving donations for Derian House.
Further enquiries please to WH Hull Funeral Directors 81 Church Road, Tarleton PR4 6UP.
Tel: 01772 812409

WRIGHT TONY

27th May 2019
Peacefully in hospital
Aged 60 years

Devoted and loving Husband of Susan. Much loved Dad of Nathan and Marc. Dear Father-in-Law of Natalie. Loving Grandad of Mia.
Much loved Brother of Kathleen, Philip, Linda and Joanne. Tony will be sadly missed by his family, friends and all who knew him.
Funeral service and committal will take place at Southport Crematorium on Thursday 6th June 2019 at 2.00pm.
Family flowers only by request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for The RSPCA Southport.

Further enquiries please to Brookfields Funeralcare, 73-75 Shakespeare Street, Southport, PR8 5AJ.
Telephone: 01704 532106

DEATHS

WALKER GEORGE ALBERT

30th May 2019
Aged 82 years

George died peacefully in Queenscourt Hospice. Loving Husband of Margaret. Devoted Dad of Sharon, Kim, Deirdre, Mandie and Janet. Father in Law to Trevor and Derek. Much Loved Grandad to all his Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren.
He had a nature you could not help loving. A heart that was purer than gold and to those who knew him and loved him, his memory will never grow cold.
Service to be held at Emmanuel Church, Cambridge Road, Southport on Friday 7th June at 11:45 am followed by committal at Southport Crematorium at 12:40pm.
Family flowers only please but if desired donations are being collected for Queenscourt Hospice.
Enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR, Telephone 01704 500086.

MUSE SYDNEY

26th May 2019

"Sid my Husband"

Sweet 16, I met you Sid, so loved up with the love we shared.
So many laughs as the years went by, but many a tear we had to share, with so many crosses we had to bear.
But we were still standing after 56 years - nothing could break us, have no fear.
But Jesus came and took you away to his special kingdom far away.
Rest In Peace.
Love you always and forever.
Rose
xxx

DEATHS

BOON CATHERINE (KITTY)

26th May 2019
Peacefully in hospital
aged 86 years
of Ormskirk

The dearly loved Wife of Joseph.
Loving Mum of Cath, Liz and the late Stephen, dear Ma in law of Nick and Sally and devoted Grandma of Becky, Rachel, Sarah, Abby and James.
Funeral service at St Anne's RC Church, Ormskirk on Tuesday 11th June 2019 at 10:30am followed by cremation at West Lancashire Crematorium. Family flowers only please, donations if dersired for Nugent Care Society.
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DEATHS

DAVIES ALEXANDER STEVEN 'ALEX'

Tragically taken away 29th April 2019 aged 18 years of Ashurst, Skelmersdale

Dearly Loved and Cherished Son of Beverley.
Much Loved Brother of Adam and Nephew of Julian. Loved and missed dearly by all his devastated family and friends.
Funeral Service on Friday 7th June at West Lancs Crematorium at 2.30pm.
No flowers please, but donations are being gratefully received in Memory of Alex for Alder Hey Children's Hospital, The British Heart Foundation and Crohn's & Colitis UK.

Donations and further enquires please to Lisa Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 22a, Liverpool Road North, Burscough.
Tel: 01704 891555.

DEATHS

DOWNES JOHN

Also known as Jason Day

Passed away suddenly 8th May 2019 aged 33 years

Dearly loved Son of Fiona and the late Paul and Step Son of Graham and Jill.
Much loved Brother of Emma and Gary.
Loving Grandson of May, Tom and the late Anne. He will be sadly missed by all his family, friends and all who knew him.
Funeral Service and Committal will take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Monday 10th June 2019 at 10am.
Family flowers only by request please.
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MADANI KAMRAN (KAMY)

26th May 2019

Kamy died at home surrounded by his family.

Greatly loved Husband to Sue, loving Dad to Daniel, Rachel, Josh and Father in Law to Tom. Adored and very special Grandad to Charlie. Dear son of Mehri and dear Brother to Kamelia and Gelayol, Brother in Law to Mohsen and Christine and special Uncle to Jessie, Ava and Dariush. Kamy was loved by all who knew him and he will be greatly missed by all his friends and family. Funeral service at St John's Parish Church, Birkdale on Tuesday 11th June at 11:00am followed by Interment at Liverpool Road Cemetery. Family flowers only please, but if desired donations are being collected for Club 25 for people with learning difficulties. Enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR. Telephone: 01704 500086.

WIGNALL RON

aged 87 years, died peacefully at Hillcroft Nursing Home, Carnforth, on Thursday 23rd May 2019

Ron is survived by his loving Wife Sue and his three Daughters Diane, Tina and Beth. The funeral service will be held at Beetham Hall Crematorium on Monday 3rd June 2019 at 3.30pm. Family flowers only. Donations for The Bay Dementia Hub, will be gratefully received by J N Wilson Funeral Service, 50B Market Street, Carnforth. LA5 9LB Tel: 01524 732301

DEATHS

GOODALL PETER

Passed away suddenly at his home in Aughton 20th May 2019 aged 89 years formerly of Canal Bank Cottages, Ring O Bells Lane, Lathom

Reunited after almost 20 years with his wife Jane.
Dearly Loved Dad to Sandra and Father in law to David. Loving Gramps to Sue, and Great Gramps to Sophie. Much Loved Brother to Margaret deceased and Joan, and Brother in law to Wilf and Ken. Loving Uncle to Neil and Uncle in law to Karen and Great Uncle to James. He will be greatly missed by all his family and friends. Funeral Service and Interment at St. Johns The Baptist Church Burscough on Thursday 6th June 2019 at 11.00 am. Family flowers only please by request but donations are being gratefully received for The British Heart Foundation and Cancer Research. Donations and further enquires please to Anabel Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 20, Moss Delph Lane, Aughton Tel: 01695 424888.

MUSE SYDNEY

26th May 2019

"To our Dad"
When you walk the roads the sun begins to shine. When you spoke your voice was filled with happiness. You will always be remembered for your kind and special ways.
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Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds, LS9 6NF, stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representors must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to Making Representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's office.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF PREMISES LICENCE
LICENSING ACT 2003

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The sale of Alcoholic beverages between 12:00 and 22:30, Sunday to Thursday and between 12:00 and 23:00 Friday and Saturday.
Opening Times will be:
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12:00 – 23.30 Friday and Saturday
The application may be inspected at West Lancashire Borough Council, Licensing Section, Robert Hodge Centre, Stanley Way, Skelmersdale, WN8 8EE, between the hours of 9.00am and 4.30pm on Monday to Friday inclusive. Brief details can be also obtained from the Councils websitehttp://www.westlancs.gov.uk/licensing
Any 'interested Party' may make representations in writing to the Council regarding the application before the 19/06/2018 It is an offence, knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and on summary conviction anyone doing so is liable to a fine of £5,000.

JOHN ROY PRESCOTT (Deceased)

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PUBLIC NOTICES

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(C107 NORTH MOOR LANE, HALSALL, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of C107 North Moor Lane, Halsall from C108 Small Lane North, Halsall to A5147 Halsall Road, Halsall.
2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.
3. The prohibition will be operative from 0600 hours on Saturday 22nd June 2019 until 1700 hours on Sunday 23rd June 2019 or until completion of the works within this period.
4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- C107 North Moor Lane, Halsall – C106 Asmall Lane, Halsall – C106 Summerwood Lane, Halsall – A5147 Halsall Road, Halsall and vice versa

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow excavating and laying of a new gas connection across the road to be carried out by P N Daly.
Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/18310/EW]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(C166 MILL LANE, APPLEY BRIDGE, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle or cycle to proceed over that length of C166 Mill Lane, Appley Bridge from property number 14 on C166 Mill Lane, Appley Bridge to property number 20 on C166 Mill Lane, Appley Bridge.
2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.
3. The prohibition will be operative from 0800 hours on Monday 24th June 2019 until 1700 hours on Wednesday 26th June 2019 or until completion of the works within this period.
4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- C166 Mill Lane, Appley Bridge – C162 Appley Lane North, Appley Bridge – B5375 Skull House Lane, Appley Bridge – Over the boundary into Wigan – B5375 Miles Lane – C166 Mill Lane, Appley Bridge – Over the boundary into Lancashire – C166 Mill Lane, Appley Bridge and vice versa

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow Gallaghers on behalf of United Utilities to carry out a short sided disconnection of an old lead supply and replacement with a new connection to the 4 inch AC Main.
[Ref: HRiT/18191/EW]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(U1077 MARIANS DRIVE, ORMSKIRK, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019

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1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle or cycle to proceed over that length of U1077 Marians Drive, Ormskirk from U1070 Heskin Lane, Ormskirk to U1073 Haslam Drive, Ormskirk.
2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.
3. The prohibition will be operative from 0800 hours on Thursday 20th June 2019 until 1700 hours on Friday 12th July 2019 or until completion of the works within this period. The road closure will be in place for the full duration. Access for pedestrian traffic only.
4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- U1070 Heskin Lane, Ormskirk – U1071 Ludlow Drive, Ormskirk – U1073 Haslam Drive and vice versa

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow Balfour Beatty on behalf of Cadent Gas to replace a gas main that is situated in the middle of the road.
Authority given for this Order to be made:
Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/18362/EW]

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LOTTERY RESULTS

JOSPICE LOTTERY WINNERS
Friday 31st May 2019

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PUBLIC NOTICES

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(WYKE ROAD, SCARISBRICK, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle or cycle to proceed over that length of Wyke Road, Scarisbrick for 20m either side of the level crossing. Exemption to this is permitted for the contractors carrying out the works.
2. The prohibition will be operative from 2300 hours on Saturday 22nd June 2019 until 0800 hours on Sunday 23rd June 2019 or until completion of the works within this period. Access for pedestrians only. No emergency service access to be provided as diversion route in place.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Wyke Road – Pool Hey Lane – Southport Road – Snape Green – Wyke Cop Road

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow level crossing testing works to be carried out by Centurion Site Services.
Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/17377/EW]

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West Lancashire Borough Council
Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15
APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

2019/0339/OUT An outline planning application for the erection of an agricultural workers dwelling (including access) all other matters reserved at Sills Farm, Lee Lane, Bispham.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.
2019/0477/FUL Entrance gates to existing access to dwelling at Glenroy, Sanderson Lane, Hilldale.
The application affects a Listed Building.
2019/0516/FUL Erection of 10 dwellings and associated works at Land To The Rear Of Dog And Gun Inn, Long Lane, Aughton.
2019/0548/FUL Retrospective planning application for a single summer house / sun shelter within the garden of Old Oak Barn at Old Oak Barn, Sanderson Lane, Hilldale.
The application affects a Listed Building.
The applications are available for viewing on the Council's website www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e-mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to Development and Regeneration Services, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 24 days of the date of this notice quoting the application number.
Applications for Minor Commercial and Householder Development
In the event that an appeal is made against a decision of the Council to refuse to grant planning permission for the proposed development, and that appeal then proceeds by way of the expedited procedure under the written representations procedure, any representations made to the Council about an application will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.
How information about you will be used
The personal data you provide will be used as part of the Council's statutory planning duties in processing planning and related applications. Some of the personal information, including your name and address, you provide will be published. For further information about this notice or how we use your personal data please see: http://www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning/planning-privacy-notices/level-2-development-management-cil-privacy-notice.aspx and http://www.westlancs.gov.uk/about-the-council/legal-statements-and-foi/privacy-and-data-protection-gdpr.aspx. Hard copies are available on request.

John R Harrison DipEnvP., MRTPI Dated:5th June 2019
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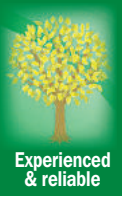
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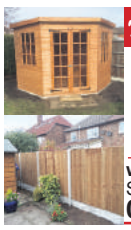
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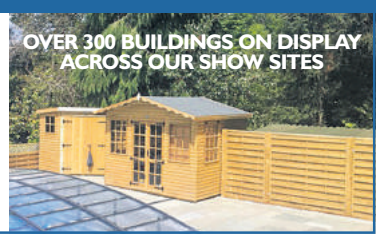
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*** CORSA 1.4 SRi 5 DR 16 REG** just 3,000 miles in sapphire black metallic with black alloys, IntelliLink, Bluetooth, aircon, DAB radio, heated windscreen, cruise – FSH & £30 road tax, Jan MOT **£8,395**

*** CORSA 1.4 SE 90 5 DR 16 REG** from 12,000 miles in sovereign silver metallic or Persian blue metallic, IntelliLink, front & rear park assist, alloy, DAB radio, heated front seats & steering wheel, cruise, Bluetooth, heated windscreen, aircon – FSH & £30 road tax **£8,295**

CORSA 1.4 SE 5 DR 15 REG 27,000 miles in pepperdust metallic, alloys, aircon, heated front seats & steering wheel – supplied and serviced by ourselves, 12 months MOT **£6,750**

CORSA 1.4 SE AUTO 5 DR 14 REG 25,000 miles in bright green metallic, alloys, aircon, heated front seats & steering wheel – December MOT **£6,250**

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*** ZAFIRA 1.4 TURBO SRi 5 DR 65 REG** 31,000 miles in dark sea blue metallic, alloys, aircon, cruise, DAB radio, Bluetooth, front & rear park assist - FSH and 12 months MOT **£8,995**

MOKKA X

*** MOKKA X 1.4 ACTIVE TURBO AUTO 5 DR 67 REG** 1,000 miles in velvet red metallic, IntelliLink, Bluetooth, alloys, cruise, DAB radio, front & rear park assist - FSH **£14,595**

*** MOKKA X 1.4 TURBO ACTIVE 5 DR 18 REG** 7,000 miles in coppertino metallic, IntelliLink, Bluetooth, alloys, cruise, DAB radio, front & rear park assist, climate - FSH **£13,195**

*** MOKKA X 1.4 TURBO ACTIVE 5 DR 67 REG** 3,000 miles in summit white, IntelliLink, Bluetooth, alloys, cruise, DAB radio, front & rear park assist, climate, FSH **£12,495**

OTHER MAKES

*** NISSAN QASHQAI 1.5 TEKNA DCi 110 5 DR 18 REG** 5,000 miles In nightshade black metallic with glass roof, graphite leather, heated front seats, alloys, Bluetooth, cruise, DAB radio, climate – balance of 3 yr Nissan warranty **£17,495**

*** AUDI Q3 2.0 TDI S-LINE NAV 16 REG** 22,000 miles in white, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, alloys, half leather, DAB radio, climate, rear park assist - local car, FSH with ourselves... **£16,795**

*** RENAULT KADJAR 1.3 TCE ENERGY DYNAMIQUE S NAV 5 DR 68 REG** 9,000 miles in flame red metallic, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, front & rear park assist, DAB radio, alloys, cruise **£15,995**

*** FORD KUGA 1.5 T ZETEC ECOBOOST (PETROL) 5 DR** 18 REG with APPEARANCE PACK 16,000 miles in magnetic grey metallic, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, alloys, aircon, cruise, DAB radio, heated front screen – balance of 3 yr Ford warranty **£14,895**

*** HONDA CR-V 1.6 i-DTEC SE (DIESEL) 5 DR 16 REG** 18,000 miles in blue metallic, alloys, Bluetooth, climate, cruise, DAB radio, rear parking camera, front & rear park assist – FSH **£14,495**

*** HYUNDAI TUCSON 1.6 SE NAV GDi (PETROL) 5 DR 16 REG** 12,000 miles in black diamond metallic, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, heated front seats, alloys, cruise, DAB radio, climate, reversing camera – FSH **£13,995**

*** HYUNDAI TUCSON 1.7 SE NAV CRDi 5 DR 16 REG** 28,000 miles in moon rock metallic, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, climate, cruise, DAB radio, alloys, heated front seats, reverse camera – FSH & balance of 5 yr Hyundai warranty **£13,495**

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*** KIA SPORTAGE 1.7 CRDi 1 5 DR 16 REG** 22,000 miles in black, alloys, aircon, Bluetooth, cruise – FSH **£11,195**

NISSAN QASHQAI 1.6 DCi ACENTA PREMIUM 64 REG 22,000 miles in cherry red metallic, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, panoramic roof, rear view camera, DAB radio, cruise, privacy glass – supplied & serviced by ourselves **£10,995**

RANGE ROVER SPORT 3.0 TD V6 HSE AUTO 5 DR 60 REG 115,000 miles in silver metallic, leather, heated seats, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, front & rear park assist, rear parking camera, cruise – FSH, lovely car **£10,995**

BMW 1 series 125 2.0 I M SPORT SPORTS HATCH 3 DR 62 REG 24,000 miles in Estoril blue metallic with red leather seats, alloys, bluetooth - FSH & 12 months MOT **£10,495**

*** RENAULT CLIO 0.9 DYNAMIQUE NAV TCE 90 5 DR 18 REG** 8,000 miles in diamond black metallic, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, DAB radio, alloys, aircon, cruise - balance of 3 yr Renault warranty **£9,995**

FORD FIESTA 1.6 ST-2 ECOBOOST 3 DR 15 REG 33,000 miles in spirit blue metallic, alloys, Bluetooth, DAB radio, aircon, heated front seats, quick clear windscreen – FSH with ourselves **£9,995**

*** PEUGEOT 208 1.2 ALLURE PREMIUM 82 5 DR 18 REG** 10,000 miles in nimbus grey metallic, Bluetooth, alloys, rear parking camera, panoramic roof, DAB radio, cruise, aircon – balance of 3 yr Peugeot warranty **£9,795**

*** PEUGEOT 208 1.2 ALLURE 81 5 DR 18 REG** 9,000 miles in aluminium silver metallic, Bluetooth, alloys, rear park assist, DAB radio, cruise, aircon - balance of 3 yr Peugeot warranty **£9,495**

*** RENAULT CLIO 1.2 DYNAMIQUE NAV 75 5 DR 18 REG** 9,000 miles in titanium metallic, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, DAB radio, alloys, aircon, cruise - balance of 3 yr Renault warranty **£9,495**

RENAULT CAPTUR 1.5 DCi DYNAMIQUE MEDIANAV AUTO 5 DR 64 REG 25,000 miles in grey with black roof, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, rear park assist, cruise - £20 road tax, November MOT, FSH **£9,395**

HONDA CIVIC 1.4 S 5 DR 16 REG 27,000 miles in bright blue metallic, Bluetooth, alloys, climate, DAB radio – FSH & 12 months MOT **£8,995**

*** HYUNDAI i10 1.2 SE 5 DR 68 REG** 9,000 miles in black, Bluetooth, cruise, DAB radio, aircon – balance of 5 yr Hyundai warranty **£8,850**

*** HYUNDAI I20 1.2 S AIR 5 DR 18 REG** from 12,000 miles, in aqua sparkling metallic or white, aircon, DAB radio – balance of 5 yr Hyundai warranty **£8,550**

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*** FIAT 500 1.2 LOUNGE 3 DR 18 REG** 22,000 miles in pasodoble red or smooth mint, alloys, Bluetooth, cruise, DAB radio – balance of 3 yr Fiat warranty **£7,950**

NISSAN NOTE 1.2 ACENTA PREMIUM AUTO 5 DR 14 REG JUST 11,000 miles in white, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, alloys, cruise **£7,850**

LANDROVER FREELANDER 2 2.2 GS TD4 5 DR 11 REG 83,000 miles in black, alloys, bluetooth, rear park assist, detachable tow bar– local car, serviced by ourselves & March MOT **£7,750**

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RENAULT CLIO 1.5 DCi DYNAMIQUE NAV 90 5 DR 17 REG 71,000 miles in black, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, alloys, rear park assist – £0 road tax, FSH with ourselves & balance of 4 yr Renault warranty **£7,395**

FORD FIESTA 1.0 ZETEC TURBO 5 DR 15 REG 35,000 miles in race red, alloys, Bluetooth – FSH & £0 road tax, Feb MOT **£6,850**

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VW GOLF 1.9 MATCH TDi 5 DR 58 REG 81,000 miles in diamond black metallic, alloys – FSH & 12 months MOT **£3,195**

RENAULT CLIO 1.2 DYNAMIQUE ESTATE 5 DR 10 REG 50,000 miles in gold metallic – Feb MOT **£3,150**

NISSAN QASHQAI 2.0 DCi TEKNA 5 DR 57 REG 115,000 miles in silver metallic, rear park assist, cruise – service history & Dec MOT **£2,995**

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VAUXHALL ASTRA 1.4 SRi 5 DR 60 REG 109,000 miles in black metallic, alloys – supplied by ourselves **£2,295**

VAUXHALL CORSA 1.2 EXCLUSIV 5 DR 59 REG 92,000 miles in star silver metallic – supplied by ourselves **£2,195**

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FORD FIESTA 1.4 TDCi 5 DR 09 REG 144,000 miles in black – has had cambelt changed, 12 months MOT **£1,850**

KIA PRO CEED 2 1.6 CRDi 5 DR 59 REG 126,000 miles in red – 12 months MOT & £30 road tax **£1,795**

PEUGEOT 207 1.4 HDi URBAN 3 DR 10 REG 121,000 miles in silver metallic – April 2020 MOT & £30 road tax **£1,495**

ASTRA 1.9 SRi CDTi 150 3 DR SPORT HATCH 07 REG 117,000 miles in moonlands metallic, alloys **£1,450**

FOCUS 1.8 TDCI GHIA 5 DR 07 REG 96,000 miles in silver metallic – service history & March 2020 MOT **£1,395**

ZAFIRA 1.6 CLUB 5 DR 55 REG 90,000 miles in star silver metallic – Feb 2020 MOT **£1,250**

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WHAT you're looking at here (see right) – well, at least it would be, in some weird parallel universe where BMW had done things a bit differently – is the latest Rover 45.

The reason I mention BMW's ill-fated six-year ownership of the West Midlands' biggest carmaker is because that was originally going to be Munich's way into mass market cars, with the 75 topping off a range of hatchbacks and saloons that would've taken the fight to Ford, Vauxhall, and so on.

But it wasn't, Rover is long gone, and instead it's the 1-Series that picked up that baton instead.

This week BMW's started taking orders for the all-new, third-generation model, which hits the company's UK showrooms in September. It could be a pivotal moment in BMW's gradual quest for world domination (which, bizarrely, also includes teaming up with direct rivals Mercedes to develop electric models), because it's having to drop something that's at the heart of everything BMW stands for in order to make it a better car.

Rear-wheel-drive. BMW used to bang on in its adverts about how sending all the oomph to the back wheels made their cars better balanced and that little bit more satisfying to drive than their front-hauled rivals – and if all the ones I've driven over the years are anything to go by, from 320Ds to M5s, I'd have to agree. But BMW's insistence on fitting its smallest offering with it too meant it was offering the first rear-drive hatchback since the Vauxhall Chevette went out of production – and they were compromised cars for much the same reasons.

In a big, powerful saloon it makes sense to send all that horsepower to the back, but in a smaller hatchback the propshaft robs space from the interior, which is why the outgoing 1-Series always had a chunky transmission tunnel between the driver and passenger and felt oddly cramped in the back. The new, front-wheel-drive 1-Series is a lot roomier than the outgoing car, which for the families who actually live with them day-to-day are really going to appreciate.

The bit that BMW are going to have be spot on with, though, is their claim that it's more agile and fun to drive than the old 1-Series – which was a right laugh on a quiet country road – was. Get it right, and make it feel like a properly sorted BMW should, and it'll have a generation of faithful customers who value that sort of thing hooked for years.

BMW has started taking orders for its new 1-Series this week

It'll particularly matter when it eventually brings out a go-faster 1M model – a lot of people who own these take them on track days and want to drift delicately around corners, and it's going to be tricky to pull that off in a front-wheel-drive hatchback.

Get it wrong and BMW will be accused of selling out by going front-wheel-drive. In which case it might as well have stuck with the Rover 45.

David Simister is the editor of Classic Car Weekly.

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Citroen's new version of its Berlingo people carrier

Citroen's Berlingo people carrier adds all new luxuries

CITROEN has launched a new range-topping version of its Berlingo people carrier.

Over the past year 60% of orders have been for the Flair trim level with particular optional extras being ordered, so a new model, the Flair XTR, has been launched which adds luxuries like the roof storage system in as standard.

It'll be available with both five and seven seats, with prices starting at £23,630.

Load-lugging version of Peugeot's 508 revealed

PRICES have been announced for a new load-lugging version of Peugeot's 508.

The SW – effectively an estate model – will be launched with four trim levels, plus a First Edition model limited to just 75 cars, and a choice of two petrol and two turbodiesel options.

The cheapest is the 1.5-litre Active model, which starts at £26,845, while the two-litre First Edition will set you back £40,944.

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Hughes leads way with bat before Barrie seals win for Burscough

BURSCOUGH continued their upturn in form in the Second Division with a superb 21 run victory at third placed Maghull.

Ryan Hughes top scored with 67 after Burscough chose to bat first, and there were half centuries for Jon Stone (58) and Navdeep Aujla (50) as the visitors were able to declare there innings on an impressive 258-8.

Australian Joe Medew-Ewen was the pick of the Maghull bowlers taking 5-67.

In reply, opener Jon Ring cracked a century (104 inc 12x4 & 1x6) and Anthony Molloy 47.

But their efforts were in vain as Lee Berrie took 5-60 to help dismiss the hosts for 237 to move Burscough up to fifth place in the table.

Hightown St Mary's sit just one place off the bottom of the table after a 107 run defeat at Sutton.

The hosts elected to bat and were dismissed for 150 with Ben Ashcroft 3-22 and Jayden Schadendorf 3-33 doing the damage with the ball, whilst Jamie Greener 53 and Adam Onion 45 top scored with the bat. In reply, only Arslan Dar with 10 was able to reach double figures as Hightown were dismantled for just 43, with Jamie Greener 5-8 and Liam Dodd 4-14 on form with the ball.

Southport Trinity were beaten by 63 runs at home against Spring View.

After a delayed start the visitors managed to post 215-7 declared up on the board, thanks in the main to useful runs from Edwin Geary 74* and Nigel Geary 48.

In reply, Wim Van Der Walt 46, skipper Craig Prince 32, Bobby Eyes 22 and an unbeaten 21* from Fred Thorpe all weighed in with runs, but four ducks proved very costly as they were dismissed for 152, with Harry Clegg taking 4-40.

THIS weekend's local LDCC fixtures (1pm): Formby v New Brighton, Northern v Colwyn Bay, Southport & Birkdale v Ormskirk, Wallasey v Bootle, Prestatyn v Ainsdale, Wavertree v Fleetwood Hesketh, Alder v Hightown St Mary's, Burscough v Spring View, Maghull v Liverpool and Southport Trinity v Parkfield Liscard.

Ormskirk suffer seven wicket defeat to Bootle

ORMSKIRK suffered a seven wicket defeat at home to Liverpool & District Cricket Competition leaders Bootle on Saturday, *writes Glenn Wallworth.*

Asked to bat first, Ormskirk were dismissed for 133 with number nine batsman Ryan Maddock top scoring with an unbeaten 26*, as Vishal Tripathi, Jhangir Liaqat and Scott Butterworth took three wickets apiece.

In reply, opener Will Hale carried his bat with an unbeaten 75* and Danny Davies hit an undefeated 27* as the visitors eased to victory on 134-3.

The result leaves Ormskirk in sixth place in the table, 39 points behind leaders Bootle.

Formby remain just two points off top spot after a four wicket win in a low scoring contest at Northern.

The hosts were put in to bat and quickly rolled over for just 82, with skipper James Cole top scoring with 19, whilst the pick of the bowlers were new signing Dewi Jones who took 4-17 on debut and Tom Sabbir Patel who claimed 4-19.

In reply, Ollie Sutton top scored with 39 for the visitors who eventually wrapped up victory on 83-6, with Justin Snow 3-6 and Tom Sephton 3-38 taking all of the six wickets to fall.

Southport & Birkdale lost at home to third placed New Brighton by five wickets, after a delayed start the hosts were asked to bat and thanks to Isaac Lea 74 and an unbeaten 54* from Australian Will Affleck were able to declare on 185-6, with David While taking 3-40.

In reply, While then top scored with 65, Leo Carter hit 64 and skipper Andy Clarke cracked an unbeaten 32 off just 13 balls as the visitors wrapped up victory in the 26th over on 186-5, with Chris Cunningham taking 3-56.

Will Affleck scored a half century for Southport.

Skelmersdale hurt by Burns as they lose thriller by one wicket to Hesketh Bank

SKELMERSDALE suffered an agonising one wicket defeat against Hesketh Bank on Saturday.

Christopher Tromp top scored with 36 while opener Joseph Till scored 20 and Michael Moss 23 as Skelmersdale scored 129-9 in their 45 overs.

Jonas Smith then dismissed both Hesketh Bank openers cheaply before Luke Manley had Richard Bannister caught for a duck.

Wickets fell at regular intervals but they were unable to get out Hesketh Bank number three Richard Burns who guided his team home with an unbeaten 53 for his side to win with nine wickets down in the 42nd over.

Dalton get back to winning ways in style

DALTON got back to winning ways in style with an emphatic victory over local rivals Newburgh.

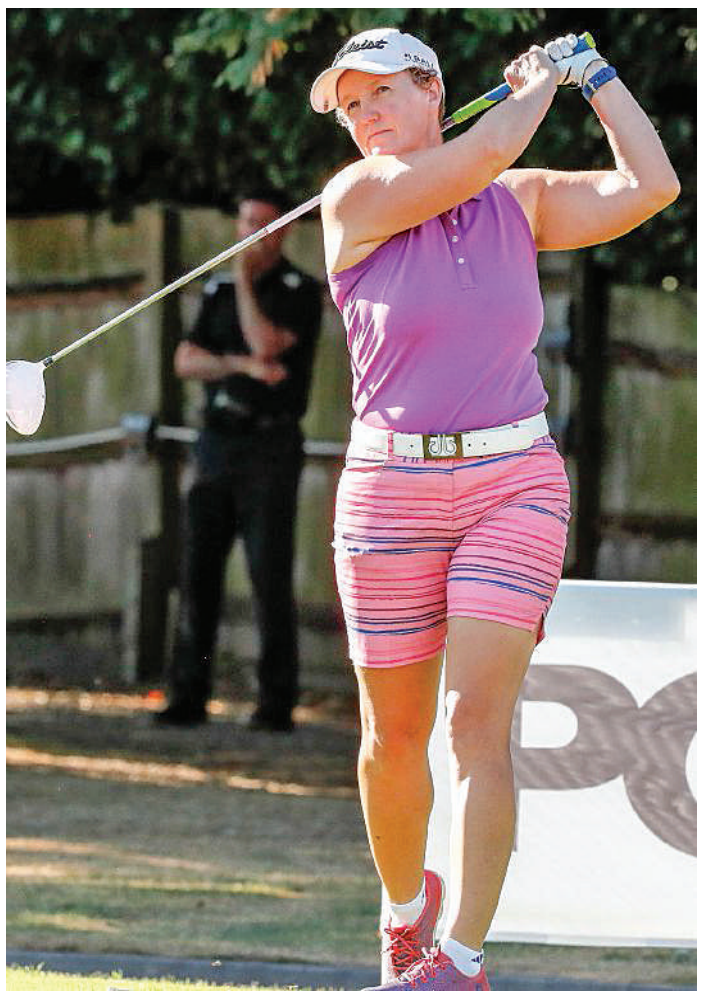
Having put the home side in to bat, Dalton were soon struggling as openers Houghton (47) and Molyneux (36) punishing some wayward bowling and missed catches.

The introduction of Davies (3-25) removing both openers and Stockley (0-16) stopped the home side's early momentum.

Two wickets each for Hares (2-48) and Chapman (2-14) saw the home side's innings close on 165 for 8 after 45 overs.

After the early loss of Jones (13) a second wicket stand of 134 between Davies (64*) and Numan (72) put Dalton in complete control as boundaries flowed to all sides of the ground.

Despite the loss of two further wickets, Dalton reached their target with almost 20 overs to spare for a valuable 20points in a game played in good spirit.



Ali Gray. Picture by Adrian Milledge PGA.

Ali finishes joint second at Women's PGA Championship

Report by **Henry James**

ORMSKIRK Golf Club's Ali Gray came joint second at the Women's PGA Professional Championship at Trentham Golf Club in Staffordshire.

The event was won by Heather MacRae on two under par and Gray finished two shots behind her on even par.

Victory in the second WPGA Series event of the season at her home course of Ormskirk had boosted Gray's confidence before the event.

Gray is the professional half of last season's winning duo in the WPGA Lombard Trophy final in Portugal.

At Trentham last year Gray and Maria Tulley of Eastbourne Downs Golf Club finished two shots adrift of Keely Chiericato and Heather MacRae. Chiericato defeated MacRae in a play-off.

The 36-hole tournament carried a £6,000 prize fund with £1,000 going to the winner.

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As an Investor in People Gold award employer we pride ourselves on recruiting and training excellent staff, it’s the staff that makes the difference to the care that we provide.

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Opening in July 2019 The Beeches is a new residential and nursing service for people with dementia. Using our considerable experience and guidance from the Dementia Design Centre at Stirling University we have designed the building to provide the highest quality environment to cater for the needs of people with dementia. Three households have been created which will care for up to 15 people in each one, creating a more homely atmosphere with access to beautiful gardens and set in the parkland of Parkhaven Trust. Circadian lighting, acoustic monitoring and electronic care planning have been installed to ensure that people are supported and cared for using the latest technology and to support staff to spend more time with people.

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For further details please contact Maggie O'Reilly, Operations Manager, on 0151 526 4133

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For further details please contact Pamela Blank, Scheme Leader, 0151 531 9573

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For further details please contact Marie Vernon, Manager, on 0151 527 1848

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Care Homes

When living at home independently is becoming too difficult, then it maybe time to consider what other options are available to you. You may look into adapting your home to help make life easier, or maybe you could look at getting some support at home to help with those things that are simply becoming too difficult. However, if you decide that moving into a care home is the best option for you then it can give you the chance to focus on your health and wellbeing, whilst also providing you with the opportunity to meet new people and develop new friendships. Firstly you need to consider all of the options available and work out which will work best for you as there are several different types of care home to consider:

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Dual-Registered Care Homes They accept residents who require both personal care and nursing care. This means that someone who initially just needs personal care but later requires nursing care won't have to change homes.

Do your Research Anyone can get access to information regarding a care home and see for yourself how the home functions. You can find these inspection reports by searching for the care home on the Care Quality Commission website *(www.cqc.org.uk).* These reports highlight a number of categories, ie. safety; caring; responsive. You can also find out if the home specialises in any particular services and see their overall rating. For Children's care homes this information can be found from Ofsted *(www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ofsted).*

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Speak to family and friends for recommendations Does anyone that you know have a relative or friend who is already in a care home? A recommendation from a happy resident is worth it's weight in gold.

Visit the Care Homes Try to visit all of the homes on your short-list, making an appointment to meet the care home manager. Before you visit, make a list of all the questions you want to ask and all of the things you want to look out for – it's easy to forget things and doing as much research as you can is important. It's useful to ask about the level of care provided as well as the fees and waiting list. Talk to staff members and observe the way they work and care for residents. Some homes may invite you to spend the day there so you can get a feel of the place and what it is like. It is also advisable that you find out about the details of the Care Home contract that you will be expected to sign.

Communication Find out how communication works with the staff. This consideration is particularly important if you are acting on behalf of someone who is considering becoming a full time resident.

Other Considerations Think about ethnic, cultural and social needs as well as dietary needs. Finally, some homes will allow pets which may be important to you.

Before making a final decision, it is a good idea to ask for a temporary stay of a month or so. This can sometimes be arranged and is an excellent way of seeing for yourself whether the home is going to be right for you long term.

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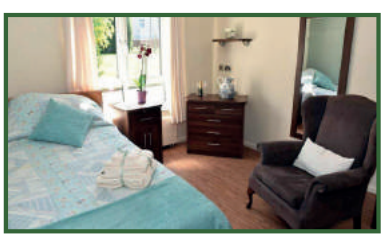

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Home Care

An increasing number of people are looking to receive specialist home care as an alternative to residential care. Home care, also known as Domiciliary care enables those with varying care needs (through illness, long term medical issues or old age) to remain in their own home indefinitely, or for a longer period of time than was previously possible. These services are often delivered by a specialist homecare agency who employ carers with specific training and expertise in providing care within the home.

Choosing between these home care service agencies can be a difficult thing to do. Below are some important things to consider when looking at home care:

Identify what type of home healthcare support you need

Have a think about the help you will require from the home healthcare provider. You will find that there is a range of different support available.

The areas where people often require help and support is looking after their personal care and hygiene, help doing their weekly shopping, assistance around the house with cleaning and tidying and as well as help to cook meals. Sometimes however, all that is needed is companionship.

Contact your local authority and find out what help they will give you

Whilst you are in the process of looking at care agencies, you should also make sure that you contact your local social services and ask them to assess your care needs. Once you go through the assessment process, your local authority will outline what support and help they can give you. If you choose not to take the support your local authority provide, you are free to approach care agencies yourself and choose your own home care.

Your local authority will then either fully or partly fund this. This will be done through making 'direct payments' or through a 'personal budget'.

Work out your home care services cost

Estimating how much your home care services will cost is important as you need to ensure you are spending your money wisely. Work out your budget. Think about how long you'll need care for and estimate using an average cost rather than the lowest to give you some leeway. Take into account any assets you have and funds such as savings and pensions you could use. Remember to claim all benefits you are entitled to and use these in your calculation.

Once you have identified the care agencies you wish to speak to, it is important that you, along with any family or friends that are supporting you have a detailed conversation with the short listed home healthcare providers. This is important to ensure that they can provide the home care services and support that you need.

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Could you or somebody you know be at risk in their own home and would benefit from a service that can provide long-term comfort and independence?

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Assisted & Independent Living

For an older adult, the choice between assisted and independent living usually depends on how well an individual can manage daily activities without extra assistance. Examples of these activities include preparing meals, personal hygiene, managing medications and completing household chores. Someone who has difficulty with any of these may want to consider the maintenance-free lifestyle of an assisted living community.

Assisted Living

Assisted living is a great option for individuals who have difficulty with daily activities at home. Residents are free to live an independent lifestyle, but also receive regular support for a range of daily activities from cleaning to meal preparation. Housekeeping and maintenance services are often included in the monthly rental of an apartment, along with laundry services, utilities, transportation and meals. In addition to enjoying the peace of mind that comes from this, residents can also take advantage of a full calendar of events, activities, trips out and other opportunities for social engagement.

Independent Living

In contrast to assisted living, independent living is ideal for individuals who can still live independently but enjoy having access to assistance when needed. Independent living communities provide their residents with convenient access to dining, medical care, entertainment and more. They offers residents a safe living environment, but with minimal assistance.

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Home from Home is a truly unique, personalised day service that adopts a fully holistic approach to meeting each individuals wants and needs. Individuals become part of our family, feeling supported, loved, respected, listened to, included and valued, which can lead to improved feelings of self worth, improved mental health, confidence, and quality of life. It is my life long passion to enure vulnerable older adults have the opportunity to live a full, healthy, happy, independent lifestyle, the way they want to live it.

The idea behind providing this service within my own home for 5 adults per day (sociable yet not overwhelming, in comfy, relaxed setting), came from listening to what individuals really want/how they prefer to be treated, during my 17 years experience working in a multitude of different services within the care sector.

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- Over 50 years Old
- Socially Isolated
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- Depression
- Anxiety
- Lacks Confidence (or inability to) accessing community/groups independently
- Reduced Mobility
- Recovering from a Stroke, living with short/long term illness
- Arthritis/Osteoporosis
- Generally needing companionship and social interaction

THURSDAY

- Early Stages Dementia (Alzheimer's, Vascular, etc)
- Mild Cognitive Impairment
- Parkinson's

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- Have difficulty accessing your local community independently?

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Adapting the home

Home adaptations are changes you can make to your home to help make it safer and easier to move around.

Your local council will offer a service that assesses your home and then recommends changes to help. This home assessment is free and the changes they may suggest can include the fitting of a stairlift or additional banisters, the widening of doorways, lowering of kitchen worktops as well as bathroom adaptations and the installation of additional lighting, ramps and railings to help with security and access into your property. The assessment may also recommend household equipment and gadgets to help make life easier.

Moving around your home

Make sure your home is well lit. Think about getting motion-sensor lights installed that switch on automatically when you get out of bed or enter a room. Widening door frames or changing the direction your doors open can help you get about – particularly if you use a wheelchair.

An extra banister rail or a stairlift can make getting up and down the stairs much easier. Depending on the size and layout of your home, it might be possible to install a through-floor wheelchair lift.

In the bathroom

Buying a bath to suit your needs
If you struggle to get into and out of the bath, yet still enjoy a relaxing soak, there are different types of baths available that could help.

Walk-in baths have a door built in to the side of the bath so you do not have to climb over and risk a fall. They come in a range of shapes and sizes from short walk-in baths designed for sitting in, to long baths with a whole side panel that opens out, suitable for those you enjoy a long soak whilst lying down.

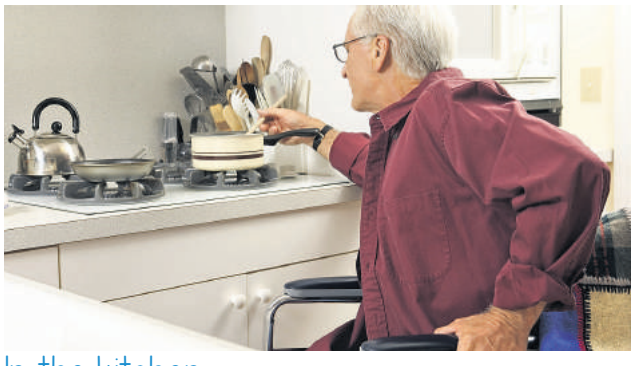
Baths with a built-in seat. These baths have a seat moulded into the bath itself and have the same purpose as portable bath seats – allowing you to sit half immersed in the bath, yet with the added advantage of being more comfortable and of not looking institutional. Another benefit is they do not have a maximum weight capacity.

If mobility is severely limited, then consider a bath lift, which lifts your body from underneath, or a bath hoist which pulls you up from above.

If using a bath is becoming increasing more difficult, then sometimes people will opt for a walk-in shower or stand alone shower cubicle. These can be more practical and less time consuming for everyday washing.

Wet-floor areas or full wet rooms are essentially bathrooms that have been adapted with waterproof flooring and walls and can be useful if bathroom space is limited.

Worried about overfilling the bath or sink? A special safety plug that only allows water to reach a certain level, or a flood detector that alerts a monitoring centre if the bath or sink starts to overflow, might be helpful.



In the kitchen

Think about how you use your kitchen and what would make life easier for you. Kitchen aids and feeding aids are important tools for those with flexibility, mobility or physical dexterity issues. There is a wide range of kitchen ware available to help the disabled or elderly. Adapted knives and other cutlery, along with non-spill feeding aids like cups and mugs, plates and bowls.

If you need a bit of help while cooking or making a hot drink, try:

- a perching stool which supports you in a near-standing position
- a kettle tipper to help you tilt the kettle
- a spike board which lets you cut or peel vegetables one-handed.

If you find picking up, opening or moving things in the kitchen difficult, try:

- wide-handled cutlery
- high-rimmed plates and two-handled cups
- assistive tin, bottle and jar openers
- a sturdy trolley to support mobility and help you move food and drink from room to room.

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Grants for home adaptations

WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Being able to live at home independently for as long as possible is something that we all want but if you're not able to enjoy your home, this can affect you in many ways. If you are having difficulty accessing your home, can't manage the stairs or take a bath, you may benefit from having your home adapted.

West Lancashire Borough Council offers disabled facilities grants that can be used to pay for adaptations such as ramps, stairlifts and level access showers.

To apply directly to the Council for a grant you must be aged over 19 and be a home-owner, private tenant or housing association tenant and live in West Lancashire.

You must also be disabled or have a long-term health condition that restricts your ability to carry out basic daily tasks such as bathing or getting up and down the stairs.

An occupational therapist will be asked to assess you in your home to determine the type of adaptations that you need.

The grants are means tested so all applicants will be asked to complete a financial assessment before being assessed by an occupational therapist. To find out more about disabled facilities grants please email **privatesectorhousing@westlancs.gov.uk** or ring **01695 585279.**

Adaptations for West Lancashire Borough Council tenants are dealt with separately. Contact the Property Services Team by email at **property.serviceshousing@westlancs.gov.uk** or ring on **01695 585292.**

Disabled facilities grants are also available for children. Referrals for a grant must come from a paediatric occupational therapist. If you do not have an occupational therapist, contact Lancashire County Council on 0300 123 6720 or speak to your GP.

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Staying engaged with Alzheimers

Individuals living with Alzheimer's disease or any other form of dementia should strive to continue to do as much as they can to retain their independence for as long as possible. And being at home is more often than not, the best place for this.

"The preferred environment for those living with dementia is generally in familiar surroundings such as their home."

This is the view of Dr. Jane F. Potter, who served on the expert panel to help develop content for Home Instead Senior Care® network's free Alzheimer's disease or other dementias CARE training programme.

The following, from Dr. Potter and Home Instead Senior Care, are tips on how to help family carers continue to engage older adults with Alzheimer's in everyday activities:

1. Allow the individual to do as much as they can but don't expect them to do what they can't. Give clear instructions, which may mean giving instructions one step at a time.
2. Simplify the task. When dressing, put them in a position to do as much as possible. Make it easier to dress, for instance, by laying out clothing in sequential order, with the underwear and socks on top.
3. Start an activity and then ask for help. For example if your Mum has forgotten how to make that favourite family recipe, begin the process and ask for her help with whatever she can.
4. Make activities easier or change the activity. If the person can't play bridge any more, play another card game instead.
5. Remember, it's about more than just the task. Turn a bath into an opportunity to smell different soaps or, when picking out clothing, discuss fashion or special colours.
6. Remember that exercise can help keep seniors active longer. It is important to help them to get up and move more, not less.

Final Arrangements

One of the most emotional times in someone's life is saying goodbye to a loved one. This means it can be hard to think of all the practicalities that need taking care of next.

There are three main things you must do in the first few days after someone dies.

1. Ensure you obtain a medical certificate from their GP or hospital doctor. This is very important as you will need this certificate to register their death. In the case of their passing being unexpected, or if they haven't been seen by their family doctor in the 2 weeks prior, their death is reported to a coroner and could end up in a post-mortem or inquest. If this happens it sometimes can mean a delay in the funeral.
2. Register the death. If you register the death within five days, you will be given all the documents you need for the funeral. Ask your registrar about the free Tell Us Once service. If this is offered in your area, this means that several government departments can be informed of the death at the same time and takes a fair bit of pressure off you. This can be done online or by telephone.
3. Arranging the Funeral. When choosing the Funeral Director, try and choose an accredited one from an organisation who adheres to codes of practice. These must provide you with a price list if you request one. Organisations such as National Association of Funeral Directors, National Federation of Funeral Directors and Society of Allied and Independent Funeral Directors are all good examples.

The Funeral Director will take you through all the options available to ensure your loved one has the send off they deserve. Be clear on what is included in the price quoted for their services to avoid any unexpected costs for any extras.

The financial part

This is the part that sometimes brings with it a bit of worry but if your loved one has been organised and left an insurance policy to either cover or contribute to the costs of their funeral, it takes a lot of that worry away. Perhaps your loved one had a pre-paid funeral plan in place or has a sizeable estate (savings) that could also help cover the cost. If you have any difficulties in paying for the funeral, you may be able to apply for a 'Funeral Expenses Payment' from your local council.

You can get more information on all of the above points by going to www.gov.uk/after-a-death/arrange-the-funeral

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